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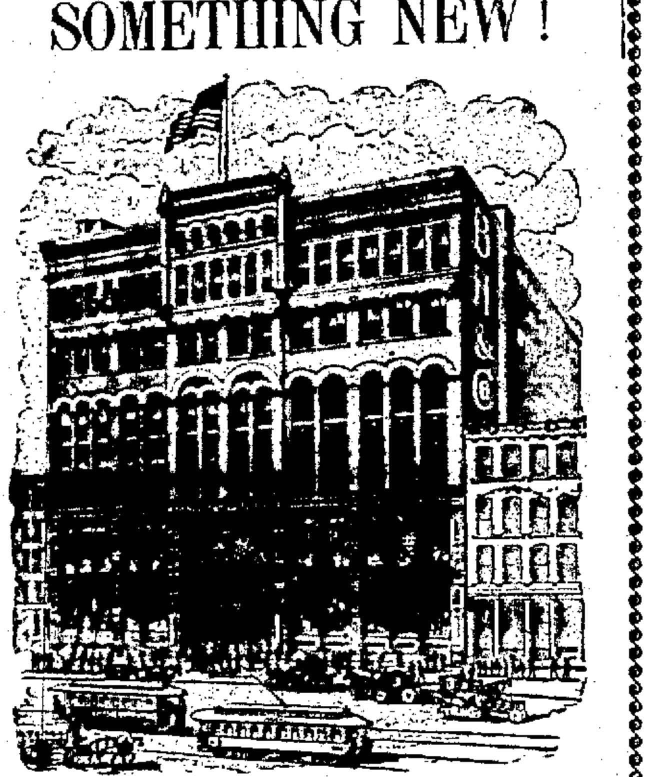

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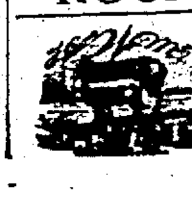

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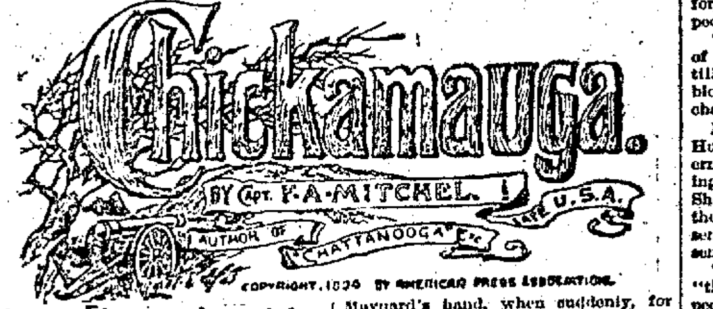

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CHAPTER XXVI.

AN IMPORTANT LETTER.

The battle of Chickamauga is over. The Army of the Cumberland has withdrawn to Chattanooga, safe for the present at least behind breastworks. Their enemies are looking down upon them from the heights that encircle the town, awaiting for them to fall an easy prey through starvation. Colonel Maynard is awaiting the result of army red tape in the matter of his court martial. The papers in the case were lost in the rout of the right and were forgotten in his efforts to save the left. At any rate, no one seemed to care anything about them. Jakey and Jennie had ridden from the battlefield, each behind a cavalryman.

One morning an orderly came to Colonel Maynard's tent and showed him a letter postmarked County Cavan, Ireland, and addressed to the man who had assisted in the escape of Caroline Fitz Hugh. But there were features of the address which led Maynard to doubt if it was not for some other Ratigan.

Maynard determined to go in quest of Ratigan's body, or Ratigan himself, if he were not dead, taking the letter with him. He made a request for a "flag of truce," which was granted, and the next morning, after an early breakfast, Colonel Maynard, accompanied by Jakey and the little girl, whom Maynard hoped to restore to her parents, each mounted and all attended by a lieutenant and 20 men, set out from Chattanooga toward Mission Ridge. They met the enemy's pickets at the base of the ridge and were conducted to Rossville. Colonel Maynard at once requested that he might be accorded an interview with Colonel Fitz Hugh, if that officer survived the battle. A messenger was sent to summon him, and as he had some miles to go "the flag" party dismounted, were taken into a house, where they awaited the officer's arrival. Every attention was shown them, and they were made as comfortable as possible. Two hours after the departure of the courier Colonel Fitz Hugh rode up to the door.

There was always a certain embarrassment between these two men, which under the circumstances was quite natural, but which was heightened by the habitual dignity with which Fitz Hugh bore himself. There was much to force them apart and much to draw them together, but it all resulted in constraint. Fitz Hugh lifted his hat to Maynard, then advanced and put out his hand. Neither seemed to think of appropriate words of greeting, and there were a few moments of silence, which were broken by Maynard referring to his mission.

"Colonel," he said, "I am the bearer of a letter for Corporal Ratigan, though the superscription gives a different title than corporal—the man who assisted me on the mission which you doubtless well remember. I saw Ratigan fall from his horse and suppose that he is dead. Am I right?"

"No, sir. Corporal Ratigan lives. He was severely wounded by a shot from your men. He managed to keep his saddle till his work was accomplished, when he fainted through loss of blood. For a time his life hung in the balance. We now hope for his recovery."

"I am rejoiced to hear it. Perhaps this letter is for him. Will you attend to its delivery?"

"If you will ride with me to Ringold, where he lies, you can deliver it in person."

"That would indeed be a pleasure. Can you get permission to take me so far within your lines?"

"I can try."

"In that case I may look, by the way, for the home of this little girl. I rescued her from the battlefield, where she was lost."

Colonel Maynard was required to give his parole not to use any information he might acquire on the way and was permitted to go forward.

It was a singular party that crisp October morning, cantering down the Chattanooga and Lafayette road, the recent bone of contention, toward the now deserted battlefield. Maynard and Fitz Hugh rode together at the front. Then came Jakey and Jennie, both mounted like the rest, while a troop of Confederate cavalry formed the escort. The two colonels talked on everything except what was uppermost in their minds. Fitz Hugh several times attempted to guide the conversation upon Maynard's service to his sister in order that he might make a proper acknowledgment, but Maynard, foreseeing his intention, always made some remark by way of thwarting him.

"My pop lives down thar," said Jennie, pointing to a cabin a mile below them.

They were approaching the "horseshoe."

Leaving the Chattanooga road, they followed another leading around the ridge, soon striking a third leading to Reed's bridge. When they came to the house pointed out by Jennie, a man was sitting on the fence, or one section of it which happened not to have been taken for firewood like the rest, whittling a stick. Catching sight of the child as the party rode up, he went to her, and taking her in his arms covered her with kisses. The mother, hearing the exclamations, rushed out and repeated the father's caresses.

The parents expressed as well as they were able and in their humble way their thanks to the rescuer of their child, and the party proceeded on their way.

"Goodby, Jennie," said her friend Jakey as he rode off.

"Goodby."

"Ef ye'll write me a letter, I'll make y' a doll outen a corncob. I know how ter make 'em."

"I can't write."

"Waal, I'll do it anyhow. Yer a purty nice young un ef y' air only a gal."

Riding over Reed's bridge, the party passed through the gap in the ridge beyond, and descending the east slope soon struck a road leading to Ringold. They rode into the town about noon and soon drew rein before the house where Corporal Ratigan lay wounded. Fitz Hugh and Maynard dismounted and entered together, Jakey bringing up the rear. In the hallway, her eyes large with astonishment at seeing her brother in company with Colonel Maynard, stood Caroline Fitz Hugh.

If the brother had failed in expressing his thanks to Maynard, the sister succeeded, but not by words. She grasped Maynard's hand, when suddenly, for the first time since her escape, a full realizing sense of the terrible end she had so narrowly escaped swept over her. She was looking her gratitude, with all the intensity of her expressive eyes, when her formal brother said:

"Caroline, Colonel Maynard suffered disgrace on your account. It is proper you should know how much we owe him."

This information was too much for even the strong nature of so resolute a woman. She burst into a passionate flood of tears.

"For the first time since it occurred," said Maynard gently, "I am satisfied with my act. What is the opinion of men to me beside the consciousness of having served so admirable a woman?"

Fitz Hugh threw open a door near by and led the way through it into a room where Corporal Ratigan, his ruddy looks contrasting with his pale face and the whiteness of his pillow, looked at them with the same astonishment as Miss Fitz Hugh.

"Why, colonel," he exclaimed, "are yo a prisoner?"

"No. I came by the courtesy of Colonel Fitz Hugh to deliver this letter, which I think is for you. Are you Hugh Ratigan?"

"Oi am."

"Sir Hugh Ratigan?"

"No; me father was Sir Thomas Ratigan of County Cavan, Ireland."

"Perhaps there have been changes," and Maynard handed him the letter.

The corporal took it and looked first at the black seal and then at the handwriting, which he recognized at once as his mother's, and read, "To Sir Hugh Ratigan, United States Army, Tennessee, U. S. A."

"Me brother is dead," he said solemnly and then tore open the envelope.

The letter advised him, as he supposed, of the death of his elder brother, and as the title and estates of the family descended to him he was adjured to go home and attend to his affairs.

"Is it as we supposed?" asked Maynard.

"It is. Oi'm Sir Hugh true enough. Me brother, God rest 'im, is gone."

"We sympathize with you at your brother's death and rejoice with you at your own inheritance," said Fitz Hugh.

All in turn took the corporal by the hand.

"You must go home at once," said Maynard.

"How will Oi go home when Oi'm enlisted for three years or durin the war?"

"We'll have to get you out of that," said Maynard. "Your duties are more important in Ireland than as a corporal in our service. We have more than a plenty of men."

"I wish we could say the same," observed Colonel Fitz Hugh.

The visiting party, expecting to return that afternoon, had but little time to converse upon anything except Sir Hugh Ratigan's future, and this they considered fully. It was arranged that as soon as the baronet should be able to travel he was to go through the lines, apply for a discharge and go to Ireland. Colonel Fitz Hugh anticipated no difficulty in securing his permission to depart from the Confederacy, and as he was a British subject of rank it was not expected that he would be held to a strict accountability for the part he had taken in the escape of Caroline Fitz Hugh, especially as that act had been largely lost sight of in an event of greater moment—the battle of Chickamauga. These matters once settled, the party moved toward the door, where adieus were spoken, then mounted and rode away.

CHAPTER XXVII.

THE CHOICE OF A POST.

Caroline Fitz Hugh had watched over Corporal Ratigan every day since his wounding, and by careful nursing had doubtless saved his life. It was not for the corporal to fall in love with his nurse, for he had loved her ever since the day he first met her. When the visiting party had left the house, she went back to her charge, and after a few words of sympathy at the loss of his brother, putting out her hand frankly, and with a smile:

"Arise, Sir Hugh," she said. "You have been on your back long enough. You must get used to sitting up and prepare to go to Ireland and to administer your estate."

"Darlin," he said, looking up at her wistfully.

"It's time you were breaking yourself of calling me that. You must forget the Confederate 'telegraph worker,' go home and marry one of the daughters of the neighboring gentry and settle down to become 'a fine old Irish gentleman, one of the rare old stock.'"

"That's a fine picture yo're makin for me, and what'll yo be doin meantime?"

"Working for my country."

"And haven't ye promised yo would do no more telegraph workin?"

"Oh, that duty has come to an abrupt termination! I shall never attempt it again. How could I after the sacrifice you and Colonel Maynard have made for me? Besides, if seen within the Federal lines, I should be recognized, and I would then deserve my fate."

"Ye'd better abandon the cause."

"Never, so long as it is a cause. So long as my brothers continue the struggle I will be with them."

"Then so long as the Union army is fightin yo Oi'll be in its ranks."

"You'll do no such thing. You will go home, where your presence is more needed—to your mother, to your tenants. Ireland needs all her landowners such as you at home. That is your country. You have no interest here."

"And the United States is your country. You have no other."

"Rats!"

"Darlin!"

There was a silence between them for some moments. Ratigan laid his hand on hers while she was looking, with a pained expression, out of the window. In her eyes was a far look. Her lover saw her troubled expression. He did not attempt to comfort her by recalling what he had said. He pushed on further.

"Darlin," he said, "yo're right when yo say Oi'm needed in Oireland. Go with me, darlin. Be me wife. Let all this intense effort, this sacrifice yo're puttin into a cause, which Oi foresee is doomed, be given to me tenants. The estate is a large one, and there are hundreds of people for yo to befriend. There yo can work to a purpose. There yer efforts in behalf of a really downtrodden people will be for good."

"And leave my brothers in the midst of this horrid struggle? I will stay here till the last gun is fired, till the last blow of the hammer has riveted our chains."

Born and bred in the south, Miss Fitz Hugh had never seen except with southern eyes. Here was a man who was giving her views never before open to her. She had a mind capable of grasping them and saw the strength, the solid sense, beneath them when properly presented.

"Darlin," said the young baronet, "the world moves on quickly. If yer people succeed in this war, in less than a quarter of a century ye'll either free yer slaves or be a blot on the face of the earth."

"Oh, Rats," she exclaimed, "why did I ever meet you? You've sapped the strength I possessed for my work. I can never again do my duty as I have done it thus far."

"Darlin," he said, drawing her nearer to him, "Oi'll replace what Oi've taken. Oi'll give ye other duties, the duties that belong to the mistress of a fine estate, the duties of a woman of high degree in a country where birth is respected far more than here. With your vigor, your strong impulses"—

"Guided by your more steady light."

"Ye may become one of the most influential women in the three kingdoms."

In her eyes came that humorous twinkle he had once seen before when she stood in her buggy in the road up in Tennessee and tantalized him for his stupidity in having been duped by her.

"It would be nice to be"—

"To be what, darlin?"

"Lady Rats," and she hid her blushes in the pillow on which his head rested.

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The sun setting over Lookout mountain shone directly in the faces of Maynard and his party as returning from Ringold they rode into Chattanooga. It was a glorious October evening, and the heights towering them, covered by unseen Confederates, reposed about the town like huge lions watching a wounded animal, confident that at last it must fall into their power.

Dismounting before his tent, Maynard entered it, and there found a letter from his wife. She begged him to come to her if it were possible, and if not to write to her. He read and reread the letter again and again, and then made an attempt at a reply. After writing half a dozen, all of which he tore up, he abandoned the task in despair. His position was too uncertain. The sentence of the court martial hung over him like a sullen cloud. What could he say to her to comfort her? He well knew that the only comforting she needed was to know that he was not miserable, and of that he could not assure her.

And so matters hung for a week. Having no duties to perform, the time passed all the more slowly. The Confederates were sending occasional shells from Lookout mountain, and as they were harmless the reports were something of a relief to Maynard, breaking the monotony of the silence. He spent much of the time thinking of what he would do in case the sentence of the court were approved and carried into effect. He formed many plans, which were all abandoned. At last he settled down to the resolve that he would go to the army in the east, enlist under an assumed name and await the coming of some missile to end his career, as he had intended at Chickamauga.

One morning an orderly rode up to him and handed him an order to report in person at General Thomas' headquarters. Calling for his horse and for his own orderly, Jakey, to follow, he mounted, and in a feverish mood darted away to obey the order.

What did the summons mean? Something definite in his affairs had come about; that he felt reasonably sure of. Perhaps the papers of the court in his case had been found. Perhaps they had been made out in duplicate. The latter supposition was the most likely. His offense could not be ignored. Indeed he could not afford to have it ignored. The sentence must be either set aside or carried into effect. Dismissal would be far more desirable than living in suspense.

All these matters rushed through his mind while he rode to respond to the summons. The nearer he drew to headquarters the less hopeful he became. After all, was it not absurd to expect anything except that new papers had been made, the sentence forwarded "approved," and he was now to be informed that he was no longer in the army? General Thomas could do much for him, but there was not a general in the army who had a higher sense of a soldier's obligations than he. How was it possible that so great a leader, so rigid a disciplinarian, one with such high conceptions, could do aught in his case but approve the sentence? And now he was sending for him to inform him of his degradation.

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A DOCTOR'S YARN.

It Is of Two Sisters Who Killed Their Grandfather to Ease His Pain.

This is a bit of a true story a physician told me the other day, and it struck me as being the text for a fascinating story of the Sherlock Holmes sort. We were talking of the advisability of putting hopelessly ill persons out of their misery as soon as possible. Dr. B. didn't believe in it.

"I was asked to do it once," he said. "Two sisters asked me to kill their grandfather, whom I was attending. He was old and could not recover. They seemed simply to pity his pain. I refused. Next morning when I called the man was dead. The nurse told me the sisters had sent her out on an errand. When she returned the windows of the sick room were open. There was a strong odor of chloroform in the room and the man was dead."

"And what did you do?" was asked.

"Nothing. The elder sister is now under the care of a specialist in nervous diseases. She cannot sleep. She will not allow herself to be alone a moment, and she keeps the gas burning in her room all night. I think she will end in a madhouse."

Isn't that a priceless bit for some author's notebook?—Washington Post.

Oh, Boston!

A funny incident—and not so funny, after all—occurred on the Fens the other afternoon. Two cyclists met unexpectedly. The woman did not turn to the right, and the man ran straight into her wheel, upsetting both. They scrambled to their feet, righted their bikes, and glared at each other for half a second. Then the man coolly slapped the woman's face, and jumping on his wheel, rolled away with lightning speed. An eyewitness of the scene was ungallant enough to applaud the act, for, he said, it was deserved.—Boston Herald.

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BALLAST FOR SPIDER CRABS.

A Difficult Problem Solved In Time of Flood at the New York Aquarium.

In one of the tanks at the New York aquarium there are eight spider crabs. The spider crab is the decorating crab grown up. The decorating crab plants upon its back little sprays and streamers of various marine plants, which it snips off with its pincher claws. It carries these first to its mouth, where it seems to keep a supply of waterproof glue, and thence to its back. It is supposed to do this for protection from its enemies, for, half buried in the mud and with these things rising from its back, it is practically invisible. It is possible also that the crab uses the sprigs for adornment, as it often selects growths of bright colors. In its larger growth, after it has come to be called a spider crab, it ceases to decorate itself, though sometimes the seeds of marine plants settle on its back and grow there, but it never loses the handy use of its pincher claws.

The largest of the spider crabs at the aquarium is about 3 inches in length. From side to side its legs spread about eight inches. The bottom of the spider crabs' tank is covered with gravel. The tank was cleaned the other day and all but about three inches of the water drawn off. When the refilling of the tank was begun, all the crabs gathered around the intake. Crabs and fishes in captivity usually do this, welcoming the fresh incoming water as a man in captivity might welcome an incoming current of fresh air. The flow of water through the intake pipes can be regulated at will. Here it was permitted to run in at its natural force, which was about that of water flowing from a hose. The flow was broken somewhat by the wire strainer over the opening of the intake, placed there to keep little fishes and crustaceans from getting into the pipes, but it was too strong for the spider crabs to face. They began to settle themselves down into the gravel and to pile gravel upon their backs, apparently to weight themselves down so that they could withstand it. On a sandy or muddy bottom they could have buried or partly buried themselves. Here the work was more difficult, but they were equal to it.

They would work their legs down into the gravel and then lift them, displacing stones in that manner, and with their pincher claws they would pick up stones. Sometimes a crab would pick up two gravel stones at once, one in each claw, and place them both on its back. It might tackle a stone so big as to require both claws in the handling of it and raise that and put it on its back. Some of the stones would roll off down by the crabs' legs, but they were not lost there, for they helped to build up around, and the crab would go ahead and put up others on its back.

When the tank was full and the inflow cut off, the crabs went walking about again as usual.—New York Sun.

GENERAL THOMAS.

He Might Have Been a Southern Soldier but For His Wife.

General William Mahone of Virginia sat in Chamberlin's, deeply interested in a well bound volume of substantial size. To a reporter who ventured to ask the title of the book the general courteously said:

"It is made up of 'Papers of the Military Historical Society of Massachusetts' and contains critical sketches of some of the leading Federal and Confederate generals. I was at that moment engaged on the sketch devoted to General Thomas. It is a very fair and interesting account of his character and services.

"I knew Thomas personally, for he was born and reared in my section of West Virginia. He was a military man of excellent parts, rather slow to act, but never able to grasp the idea that he had been whipped. His bulldog tenacity was a strong characteristic.

"I know a good deal more than this book about Thomas' predilection for the southern cause. In passing through the state on his way from Texas to New York at the time that the legislature was deliberating on the question of secession, Thomas said, with emphasis, 'There is nothing for the south to do but to fight.' It was well understood that his sympathies were with the people of his native section.

"I was empowered by the governor of Virginia to offer him an important position created for him and tendered it with the full expectation that it would be accepted. He married a Miss Marcy of New York, and it is no doubt true that his wife's influence had much to do with keeping him on the Union side."—Washington Post.

A DELAYED BRIDE.

She Wouldn't Be Wedded Till the Conditions Were All Right.

The company waited, but the bride was not ready. A bridesmaid was sent to notify her that George Edward was in the oriel room and the band under the stairs waiting to strike up the first strains of the wedding march.

"I don't care," she pouted as she threw herself disconsolately on a divan, to the great danger of her veil: "I'm not going to be unlucky all my life if I can help it. Dear, dear, why didn't I remember it sooner."

"Remember what, dear?" inquired the perplexed bridesmaid.

"Why, that everything I have on is new. I did remember that if

"Married in white,
You have chosen all right,

but I forgot the other:

"Something old and something new,
Or your choice you'll surely rue.

Every stitch I have on is new, and I just will not stir a step until I have something old added to my dress."

"Take my handkerchief," suggested one of the girls.

"What could I do with it?" whined the poor thing. "Brides don't have pockets; neither do they carry handkerchiefs in their hands. It would look as if I expected to cry."

"I have a happy thought," said the bridesmaid. "Exchange shoes with me."

"They won't fit. My feet are two sizes smaller than yours."

"Thanks, awfully. Haven't you a pair of your own Cinderellas?"

"Yes, I have," said the bride, jumping up in a hurry. "Your head is level, dear. Look in the pink box in the chiffonier, or in the blue one. Oh, they won't do, they're so awfully soiled!"

"Get me some bread crumbs and a box of powder," said a practical soul in the party. "Quick! I'll have them white in a jiffy."

"You're just dear," said the grateful bride. "Now I shall feel that I am properly married, and that everything has been done to insure my future happiness. Just one thing more for luck:

"Hurtle a shoe
After me—do."

When the bride descended the stairs leaning on the arm of George Edward, the sweet serenity of her face was a subject of favorable comment. Her friends felt that she was not entering unprepared upon the future awaiting her, and she felt that way herself.

SLEEP REFORM.

The Man Who Tried It and the Way His Scheme Worked.

Colonel Henry Watterson tells a story of an old compositor whose life had been given up to hard work and the following of eccentric ideas, one of which was that the human race slept too much. He had several theories to advance in support of his idea. One of them was to cut down the usual number of sleeping hours by gradation and finally arrive at a state where, by practice, one would be satisfied with a much smaller amount of sleep than one was getting.

To show his confidence in his theory he began to practice the new idea as follows: He usually slept nine hours. He explained that he would cut this down to 8½ hours for each week that passed until he had reduced his number of sleeping hours to two, which, he claimed, was all that was needed by any one.

The time went by, and the old fellow had kept to his rule laid down and finally reached the two hour time.

He went along for several weeks, sleeping but two hours daily, devoting the time gained in reading and advocating his idea. While there was a noticeable decrease in his weight, he seemed to stand it very well.

Then he began to talk of further reducing the time, and when enthusiastic talked of the possibility of one doing without sleep entirely.

He set type and was an old hand on the paper. One morning about three weeks after he had reached his low sleeping mark the compositor at the case next to his noticed the old man had dropped his head upon his arms, that were folded over the case. It was near quitting time. All the forms were up, and the old chap was not disturbed. He had gone to sleep. The office was soon deserted, with the exception of the janitor and the sleeper. The janitor was instructed not to bother him.

The next day when the first men arrived he was still sleeping as they had left him and snoring so hard that he jarred the type in the case on which he rested.

Some one told his wife where he was, and she concluded to let him sleep.

He slept on in that position for 20 hours. Then they carried him to a bed at home, still sleeping. He slept for 32 hours, and when he woke up he had forgotten how to set type and had to learn to read again, although his memory was good in other respects.—Exchange.

SCARING A DOG.

An Experiment That Can Hardly Be Called a Howling Success.

Bill Jones of Happy Valley came into the office the other day and said he had found out a good way to scare a dog. He said he didn't see any sense in wanting to shoot a dog or be cruel to dumb brutes by poisoning 'em when there were ways enough to just scare 'em and in that keep 'em from biting you. He said, just to show his good faith before we printed the recipe in The News, we might go down street past Oldfeller's place and try his dog once. So we started out with him.

Jones took his umbrella, and as we walked along he showed us how the old thing worked. He asked us to walk just ahead, and he played we were in the position of the dog and wanted us to growl. When we made a noise, he rushed at us with the umbrella, opening and shutting it in rather a startling manner.

By and by we reached Oldfeller's place, but didn't see the dog. Then Jones growled like and shouted, "Sic 'em, Towser!" In about a second and a half Towser came flying around the fence corner, and Jones just had time to lower his umbrella when the charge was made. Towser made a rush like a trolley car half a block ahead of you. Jones parried and worked the slide on the umbrella handle. The next instant the dog had a mouthful of a $4 umbrella cover and two ribs out of the same. Jones expectorated a mouthful of tobacco juice in Towser's eye and then told him he could have the remainder of the water cover, his remarks all prefaced with adjectives never used in prayers.

We didn't return to the office together, and Jones said if we ever printed the recipe or made any mention of the experiment the A. O. U. W.'s would lose a couple of thousand on us and have a day off for a funeral.—Fairhaven News.

Police In Russia.

The Russian godovoy (policeman) is usually a very small policeman indeed. He makes up in deportment and dignity what he lacks in size. His countenance bears evidence of unbending severity; he is never seen to smile; he is minute, but majestic; dirty, but dignified.

His dress is a long kaftan, which the ignorant would unhesitatingly pronounce to be a dressing gown. A sword ornaments the left side, while his legs are incased in huge Wellington boots. On his head he wears a small military cap.

The policeman lives in his own little house, about the size of a moderately large dog kennel, one of which is planted at the corner of each principal thoroughfare. Here the little godovoy sleeps and eats his meals and disposes of the spare time upon his hands.—Buffalo Times.

Loved Her Horse.

Clement Scott, the London dramatic critic, says that he was once threatened with a libel suit for saying that a certain actress who caracoled on the stage on a seedy looking, circus bred quadruped "rode a horse with pink eyes." "Abuse me as much as you like," said the fair litigant, "but don't say that my horse has pink eyes."

The Storm Center.

The great lakes and the St. Lawrence valley have more storms per annum than any other portions of this country. This is due to the fact that storms originating west of this district move directly east, while many originating farther south move to the northeast.

The Spent Cannon Ball.

General Sherman's reminiscences of wartime are very entertaining. One of the most magnificent specimens of manhood I ever saw, said he, was a soldier who was constantly laughing at the poor fellows who became fatigued by long marches or who sank under seemingly trifling wounds. His courage, health and strength seemed invincible. One day a heavy projectile from the enemy's cannon—what we call a spent ball—came rolling along. The temptation to put out one's foot to stop such a ball was irresistible. The soldier I have mentioned yielded to it. With a merry smile he put out his foot, and in an instant it was cut off, and he sank to the ground a maimed, shattered cripple for life, weeping like a child at his awful misfortune.

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REPUBLICAN COUNTY TICKET.

For Treasurer,
THOMAS R. CLARK,
of Bradford City

REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION

PHILADELPHIA, PA., June 18, 1895.

To the Republican Electors of Pennsylvania:

I am directed by the Republican State Committee to announce that the Republicans of Pennsylvania, by their duly chosen representatives, will meet in State Convention at Harrisburg, Pa., on August 28th, at 11 o'clock a. m., for the following purposes, to-wit:

For the nomination of one candidate for State Treasurer, six candidates for Judges of the Superior Court, and for the transaction of such other business as may be presented.

By order of the Republican State Committee.
B. F. GILKESON, Chairman.

WILL HE DO IT?

The attention of the Governor of our great commonwealth is called to the fact that he is doing the Republican party of the State an irreparable injury by continuing this factional fight any longer. The executive must see, if he is not wilfully blind, that his action of forcing Gilkeson upon the party as chairman of the State committee cannot result otherwise than in a split in our ranks that will be almost impossible to heal. If his excellency will cast his eye over northwestern Pennsylvania, he will scarcely find a friend, where last fall he had sturdy supporters by the hundreds of thousands. Why this great change? It all lays with the Governor. In the first place, the Marshall bill was the entering wedge, followed by his appointments, in which he entirely ignored this stronghold of Republican principles. Then came the superior court appointments, with a host of the brightest legal talent to select from in this section, the Governor passed them by as though they had been stricken with the plagues of Egypt. Then, to cap the climax, his attempts to force upon the people a 7x9 man as our leader in the great national campaign of 1896. Corporal Gilkeson as compared with Senator Quay as chairman of our State committee, would be like turning down a lion and favoring a cony. That superb leader, under whose guidance we marched to glorious victory in 1888, is the proper man to place at the head of the national committee in 1896, when we will have another battle royal with the enemy to national prosperity, the free traders. Let the Governor withdraw his pigmy, Gilkeson, clasp a friendly hand with Senator Quay, and even though he ignores our section in his appointments, we will overlook that, for the sake of harmony, if we can feel assured that the internal strife will cease and all this bitterness be buried in oblivion. This the governor can do, and as earnest Republicans in this part of the vinyard, we ask his excellency to let his fealty to party and his love of country surmount and rise above the petty bickerings that are at present occupying his time. All will soon be forgotten and he will again be the idol of this great party in Pennsylvania.

The big partnership formed by the Baldwin Locomotive Company, of Philadelphia, and the Westinghouse Electric Company, of Pittsburg, will be on such an immense scale that it is almost beyond the comprehension of man. Each company will put into the combine $10,000,000, making a total stock of $20,000,000. This company is organized for the purpose of revolutionizing the locomotive power of our railroads. Steam will be entirely done away with, electric cars will take their place and greater speed will be attained. Tests that have been made by the Westinghouse company show a speed of some 80 to 90 miles per hour. The disagreeable smoke now so prevalent on the steam cars will be dispensed with. No ear-splitting scream of the whistle at railroad crossings and stations will jar upon the sensitive nerves of the passengers or disturb their quiet chat while riding along. A beautiful electric car will take its place, which at night will be lighted by electricity; coal dust and ashes will not disturb the traveler, no black and sooty engineer and fireman, but a neatly dressed motor-man will manipulate the motive power. Oh, hasten the day when all these pleasures shall be granted to the traveler.

EVEN Clinton county, the birth place of Governor Hastings, is for Quay. When a man attempts to shoulder a heavier load than he can carry, trouble is the inevitable result. Hastings, like poor Christian in "Pilgrim's Progress," has assumed a load in Corporal Gilkeson that he will find necessary to drop before he arrives at the top of the hill, and be able to stand side by side with Senator Quay in peace and harmony. There is something radically wrong when the people in a prominent man's old home turn him down. Under the circumstances, with Gilkeson out of the way, Hastings would have been heartily indorsed in Clinton county.

THE hens do not work as faithfully under the Gorman tariff as they did under the McKinley regime. The first eight months of the McKinley tariff there were imported 1,698,366 dozen eggs. During the same period of time under the Gorman tariff there were imported 2,159,047 dozen eggs. The hens are not to be blamed, as they do not want to get down to the pauper labor wages of Europe.

KING CHRISTIAN, of Sweden, whose early demise is looked for, is related through his offsprings and his wife's family to nearly every royal house in Europe. His death would hang crape on many doors.—*Era.* Wonder when King Christian, of Denmark, superseded King Oscar, of Sweden.

WHEN Corporal Gilkeson comes out of this chairmanship fight he will think he has been up in the Catskill mountains enjoying a little repose.

THE stately form of General Jesse Merrill, of Clinton county, was not able to stem the Quay tide that is sweeping over Pennsylvania.

SENATOR QUAY captured Elk county from the combine, and Lancaster county follows suit. Quay got's two delegates from Harrisburg.

☞ The Pennsylvania Railroad Co. has arranged for one more special excursion to the Sea Shore, August 15th, taking all the popular resorts on the South Atlantic Coast. The trip is an enjoyable one.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Special Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, August 5, 1895.—The American who can hear the Treasury officials talk about the gold reserve without experiencing a sense of humiliation has a queer make up. These officials never refer to the Secretary of the Treasury nor the administration, as having the power to keep the gold reserve intact, but always to their reliance upon the power of foreign bond syndicates to protect the gold reserve. When asked about last week's heavy withdrawal of gold from the Treasury these officials say "Oh, that's of no importance." They then proceed to inform you that the foreign bond syndicate would have prevented the withdrawal of that gold had it deemed it necessary to do so, and have the gall to add that the foreign bond syndicate has since last February lived up to it's contract and protected the gold reserve. Do you understand what that statement means? Humiliating as it is, it means that the Democratic administration, convinced of its own lack of financial ability, paid the foreign bond syndicate $10,000,000—the profit on the bonds sold to the syndicate—to guarantee the protection of the gold reserve in the U. S. Treasury from February to October, and instead of being heartily ashamed of the disgraceful deal, Democratic officials actually gloat over it and constantly express their satisfaction over the bought protection they are enjoying. Secretary Carlisle felt so secure that he has with his own and one of his son's families gone on a junket through the Great Lakes, on a government light house tender. It is fortunate for the country that only two months will elapse from the expiration of this dearly bought and disgraceful protection of the U. S. Treasury and the meeting of the Republican Congress. Republicans never found it necessary to pay foreigners to maintain the credit of the U. S., and never will.

The Allison boom was brought to Washington a day or two ago by Hon. J. N. Baldwin, of Council Bluffs, Iowa who is a good talker, and who has it all fixed, in his own mind. He said "I expect to see Senator Allison nominated and elected President. His 33 years experience in Congress, his thorough knowledge of economic questions, his familiarity with tariff and finance, his broad gunged ideas and conservative stand on all great issues of the day pre-eminently fit him for the great office." Up to this point any good Republican will agree with Mr. Baldwin, but in what follows many will not. "Mr. Reed is too far east. Gov. McKinley represents a too extreme view of protection, Gen. Harrison has had his turn and acquitted himself nobly, but it isn't in the book of destiny for him to inhabit the White House again. So it is apparent that of all the distinguished men mentioned Senator Allison takes precedence by reason of his superb qualifications and availability." No Republican would, judging from what those who have come to Washington have said, object to Senator Allison as the party's candidate, but with the exception of Mr. Baldwin none of them have credited him with any chance for the nomination, except in the event of a deadlock between those who will enter the convention with more votes. His whole strength lies in his being an ideal compromise candidate, but suppose no compromise is needed!

That deal between the administration and Joe Blackburn is off, very much off. Blackburn broke it up, but his friends say that it was because he found out that the administration was trying to keep his mouth shut by trickery, while it was steadily plotting to prevent his being returned to the Senate. According to the best obtainable information it is to be war to the death from this time on. Blackburn is bitterly denouncing the administration from the stump, and more determined, his friends say, than ever in his preference for a Republican rather than a Cleveland Democratic Senator from Kentucky.

The Democrats are becoming as much alarmed about Maryland as they have been for some time about Kentucky. The Cleveland Democrats are disgruntled over the knock down that Senator Gorman has given them, and so far they have refused to accept the soft soap given the administration in the resolutions adopted by the Gorman State convention as an equivalent for the nomination of the entire Gorman ticket. Members of the administration are trying to bring pressure to bear upon the Maryland Cleveland Democrats to make them work for the Gorman ticket, not that they love Gorman, but because they fear the capture of the State by the Republicans. Some of the Maryland anti Gorman Democrats have said openly that they would be glad to see Maryland carried by the Republicans because it would not only kill Gorman as a Presidential candidate but would destroy his influence, both at home and in the Democratic national convention. The Maryland Republicans are not disdaining any assistance from the anti Gorman Democrats, although they are confident of carrying the State.

DURING the first eight months of the McKinley tariff there were imported 25,000 tons of hay. In the first eight months of the Gorman bill 179,000 tons were imported. Of course the Gorman bill helps the farmer, as he can buy his hay from the importers, and will not have to work in the broiling sun to make hay.

WHAT has really been done during the last two years has been to borrow gold, not to redeem the Government's notes, but to pay Government expenses, and therein lies the only true cause for anxiety.—*Matthew Marshall in the New York Sun.*

THE anxiety and worry over the arrival of young Marion at Gray Gables having passed, the president should devote a little spare time in assisting Ex-Queen Lil to the restoration of her throne.

LAST OF THE SEASON

To The Thousand Islands August 28th.

The W. N. Y. & P. Ry. announces their last popular low rate excursion to the Thousand Islands, Wednesday, August 28th. Passengers will leave Smethport at 9.12 a. m. The low rate of $7.00 will be made for the round trip, including 125 miles steamboat ride among the Islands. The Island Ramble and Search Light Trip free to all who go. Tickets good returning for ten days.

The party will go via. Rochester, N. Y., arriving there for supper. Four hours will be allowed for a trip to Ontario Beach, or to look around the city, leaving Rochester, New York Central station at 11 p. m. Special sleeping cars and day coaches will be provided and passengers will arrive at Clayton early the following morning, where a steamer will be taken for Alexander Bay, stopping at Round Island, Pullman Island, Thousand Island Park and Central Park. Excellent board can be had for $2.00 per day. A few days recreation at the Islands is a pleasure never to be forgotten.

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HATTIESBURG, MISS., July 27, 1895.

EDITORS MINER,

Dear Sirs:—I have been intending for some time to write you something of this country. But my business since I came here has been such that I have had but very little time to think of anything outside of it. But last Sunday, the 27 inst., was a day long to be remembered in this town. You have all read a great deal about blood hounds and negro hunting in the south, but perhaps was never an eye witness to one. I will endeavor to give you a short sketch of a genuine negro hunt about eight or nine miles from this town. A most brutal outrage and murder was committed on the night of the 20th on the family of A. D. Hartfield. The family were alone, Mr. Hartfield being away at a primary election. About nine o'clock in the evening a large burly negro made his appearance on the premises and at once proceeded to slaughter the family, shooting Mrs. Hartfield three times, assaulting Miss Kate, one of the young ladies, splitting her head open with an axe, killing her almost instantly, then clubbed and choked the other daughter, Miss Susie, into insensibility and outraged her, leaving her for dead. Mrs. Hartfield and Miss Susie, though badly wounded, will recover.

The news of this outrage spread like wild fire all over this country and by 6 o'clock, Sunday morning, July 21st, there were over a thousand men in arms hunting the murderer. All day Sunday squads of men on horse back were galloping to and fro by my house, many of them accompanied with blood hounds. Several negroes were captured during the day. One was shot and captured almost in my yard, two more were wounded and captured only a short distance from here but none of them proved to be the right one. The whole negro population were in a great state of excitement and everyone who could not give a strict account of himself on Saturday night was run in. Nearly everyone of the negroes are guilty of some little petty crime, consequently when they saw the mob they would attempt to hide or run away and this was a signal for them to fire on him or put the bloodhounds on his trail and many innocent negroes suffered on this account, before the right one was captured. Never in my life did I see such a persistent and determined mob of men collected together. The chase continued day and night until Thursday, the 25th, when a negro by the name of Tom Johnson, was captured about 40 miles from here, after crossing and re crossing the country between here and there several times. Many times his pursuers would be within a mile of him. He would then evade them by taking a back track and the next they would hear of him he would be twenty miles away. It rained a great portion of the time and this very much impeded the progress of the bloodhounds, as they are almost sure to lose the trail during a rain storm.

The prisoner was brought in here on Thursday afternoon of the 25th and lodged in jail. A committee of the best citizens of the town was at once appointed to take charge of him, their intention being to take him the next morning to the scene of the murder for identification. One of our leading citizens, who is doing all our logging for us, took the keys of the jail to his possession, as the sheriff dare not keep them, knowing he would be compelled to deliver them up before morning, but all this precaution did not amount to anything, for about two o'clock that night a howling mob of some two hundred men came in from the back country (composed of the roughest class of white people) and went to the sheriff's house, demanding the keys. He told them that he did not have them and did not know who did. They then proceeded to batter down the jail, which was done in short order. In their excitement the negro managed to get some of their tools from them through the hole they had made in the wall. Then the poor wretch fought like a demon. They ordered him to come out, but it was no use. He did not come. They did not want to kill him as they wanted him for further torture. After exhausting all manner of persuasion, they shot him twice through the leg. Even then he would not surrender and no one dare go in and bring him out. Then a new idea struck them. They opened other cells and brought out the negro prisoners that had been taken before and forced them at the point of the shotgun to go in and bring this desperate man out. They begged and pleaded to be excused from a job like this, but no excuse would be taken, they had to make the attempt or die. The negro prisoners got him out without any of them being seriously hurt. The mob then started out of town with him amid great rejoicing and singing and a good deal of bad whisky. The negro took advantage of this hilarity and being a powerful man, made a break for liberty and got away, although he virtually had only one leg to go on. There seems to quite a difference in opinion as to this part of the proceedings and many of the better people think this mob intentionally let him go so as to prolong the chase and make more sport for them, as a negro hunt is something of the same nature of a fox hunt in the old country and is very much enjoyed by these people. This escape was made just at daybreak and never before was a human being known to have such endurance and make such a determined fight for his life as this poor mortal made. He evaded his captors for fifteen hours and was captured over twenty miles from where he made his escape. He would not have been captured this time except with the aid of bloodhounds. He was lodged in jail that night in a little town called Augusta and again was taken charge of by the better element, the same parties who first had him in charge.

The next morning he was taken to the scene of the murder and was identified by Mrs. Hartfield, who said to him when she saw him "Tom, what did you shoot me for and why did you murder my family. You know you did it and there is no use denying it." The negro made no reply to her questions. They then took him out into the yard where he had killed the young lady with the axe. They told him they intended to roast him over a slow fire, but if he would confess all the depredations he had committed during his life they would give him his choice of execution, which, of course, was making a great concession. The negro at once proceeded to confess, admitted the Hartfield murders. He claimed the object of this crime was robbery, he also confessed several other robberies. After making confession he was asked if he had anything to say. He said he had, he was then placed in a buggy and made a little speech, warning all evil doers to reform and change their ways before it was too late. He especially appealed to the colored people, a good many being present, to be honest and industrious and not follow his footsteps, or sooner or later the same end he was about to meet would be their fate also. He then ask to be prayed for, but no one volunteered to pray for him.

Then he was taken about one half mile from the Hartfield residence, a rope placed about each wrist, his arms extended and the ropes tied to two little trees on either side. He was given his choice to face the executioners or not. He, preferring not to see them, was placed with his back to the mass of armed men. He was then told to kneel and the order was given to fire. There were no less than five hundred guns pointing at him and from the appearance of the body after the firing I guess nearly every one took affect.

At the execution from eight hundred to one thousand men, amongst them ex congressmen, ex senators and some of the best people in the State were present. In my humble way I have tried to give you the outlines of one of the many bloody tragedies of the south. I have not been here long enough yet to feel warranted in expressing my opinion on this sort of thing, but there is one thing I must say we people of the north know nothing of the negro in his native element. The few there are in the north are no criterion to judge from. The class of negroes which have grown up since the war are as a rule, indolent, vicious and dishonest and in my opinion it would be one of the greatest blessings this south land ever had if the negroes were back in the "Black Continent," for I think this would be one of the finest countries to live in and do business in that there is in the United States if it were not for the negro.

I could write you a volume on this subject but will not take any more of your valuable space.

Very truly
M. DUNN.

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☞ The low rate offered by the Pennsylvania R. R. for an excursion to the Sea Shore August 15th are in accord with the times and every one should embrace this opportunity to take a dip in the great Atlantic Ocean.

Ward off your next attack of sick headache with Sheda's Little Mandrake Pills. The only purely vegitable pill.

CONGRESSMAN STONE'S VISIT.

Congressman William A. Stone, of Pittsburg, a native of this county, arrived in Wellsboro Saturday morning and remained here over Sunday greeting old friends. He is the same "Will" as of yore. Mr. Stone is a rising man. His superior mental qualifications, his brilliant legal attainments and above all, his unimpeachable honesty are being recognized and commended throughout the State the same as they are at his old home.

Congressman Stone has many friends here and elsewhere who would be pleased to see him filling the governor's chair and who would like to assist him in getting there. Before coming here Mr. Stone was interviewed by a reporter of the Philadelphia *Inquirer* on State politics and authorized the following:

"The sentiment for Senator Quay in the western part of the State simply beggars description. The people are for him by an overwhelming majority, and if the question were put to a popular vote he would win by a seven eighths vote. The report of the attempt to purchase delegates in one of the counties has simply intensified the feeling and if such a scheme had any possibility of success heretofore it is simply out of the question now. I make no exaggerated statement when I say the west is on fire for Quay. This sentiment is gradually working its way east and I predict his election for State chairman by a very large majority."—*Advocate.*

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☞ The Pennsylvania Railroad Co. admits the success of the Special Seashore Excursion August 1st and has arranged for one more. The date fixed is August 15th. Every one desiring to visit these delightful resorts should make arrangements to go on that date.

List of Letters

remaining in the postoffice at Smethport, Pa., for the week ending Aug. 3, 1895.

Cary, Mrs. Klauthe	Lottie J. H.
Coublek, Miss Bessie	Miller, Miss Jennie O
Harman, Mrs. J	Roach, Alex
King, Miss Annie	Shoemaker, Laura J
	Saif, C. H.

Persons calling for these letters please say "advertised."

W. P. WALSH, Postmaster

☞ Take the Sea Shore Excursion via Pennsylvania R. R. August 15th.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

BY VIRTUE OF A WRIT OF VENDITIONI Exponas issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of McKean county, Pa., and to me directed, I will expose at public sale on the premises on Tuesday, the 27th day of August, at 2.30 p. m., the following described piece of property:

All that tract or parcel of land situate in the Township of Keating, County of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows to-wit: Beginning at the southwest corner of the north part of lot No. 321 in the allotment of lands of the Bingham estate conveyed Dec. 1st, 1860, together with the north part of lot No. 427, to William Marshall, Michael Marshall and John R. Smithman; thence along the south line of said lot south 87 degrees east one hundred and four perches; thence along the west line of lot No. 328 contracted prior to Dec. 1st, 1860, to be sold to Alphonso A. Hopkins, Theodore P. Sumner, Frederick M. Pratt and Charles H. Pilkins, south three and one half degrees west, six and ninety-one hundredths perches; thence along the north line of the north part of lot No. 321 conveyed Dec. 1st, 1860, to Wm. H. Brown and Philip Kelley and the north line of lot No. 429 leased to George S. Forman north 87 and one-half degrees west 104 perches, and thence along the East line of lot No. 321 leased to Wm. Marshall and John L. Johnson being also the east line of Warrant No. 2591 north three and one-half degrees east eighty two and five-tenths perches to the place of beginning, containing fifty four acres strict measure be the same more or less, it being the south parts of lots Nos. 427 and 428 of the allotments of lands of the Bingham estate and a part of Warrant No. 2877.

Also—Another lot or tract of land situate in the town and county aforesaid bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the northwest corner of lot No. 32, of the Bingham lands in the township aforesaid conveyed Dec. 1st, 1860, to Hazard L. Taylor. Thence along the north line of said lot south eighty seven and one-half degrees east ninety two and seven tenths perches, thence along the west line of lot No. 80 conveyed to Henry Morse and the West line of lot No. 27 leased to Charles E. Sumner, Frederick M. Pratt and Charles H. Pilkins and by them assigned to William H. Johnson and Co., north two and one-half degrees west seventy five perches, thence along the south line of lot No. 26 contracted prior to Dec. 1st, 1860, to be sold to Lucius Beaumont, John B. Kane, Henry B. Lyle north eighty seven and one-half degrees west ninety-two and seven tenths perches and thence along the east line of lot No. 320 leased to Henry W. Williams south two and one half degrees west seventy five perches to the place of beginning containing forty three acres and fourteen tenths of an acre be the same more or less it being lot No. 320 of the Bingham lands in the Township aforesaid and a part of Warrant No. 2353, excepting and reserving therefrom one-eighth part of all Petroleum and Gas as provided in the deed of said lands from Charles Willing, surviving trustee, dated Dec. 1st, 1860, and recorded in the Recorder's office of McKean County, Pa., in Deed Book No. 10, page 506 &c., on the 23rd day of June 1861, subject to all reservations and performances of every kind contained in the last named deed from Charles Willing to Richard W. Evans and Alonzo J. Thompson, also excepting out of this grant a certain iron tank of about 30,000 bbls capacity, together with one-half acre of land upon which said tank is located, being the same tank and half acre reserved in the deed last aforementioned and also an acre in a deed from Alonzo J. Thompson to C. W. Scofield with the right of ingress and egress to and from said half acre. The premises hereinbefore described are the same conveyed to C. W. Scofield by the McCalmont Oil Company by deed bearing date the 16th day of Feb. 1885, and recorded in the 21st day of Feb. 1885, in the Recorder's office of McKean County in Deed Book Vol. 27 page 435 &c. Also granting and conveying all that certain tract or parcel of land situate lying and being in McKean Co., aforesaid, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the northwest corner of lot No. 427 of the allotment of the Bingham estate aforesaid, thence along the west line of said lot south three and one-half degrees west seventy six and five tenths perches; thence along the north line of the south parts of lots Nos. 427 and 428 north 87 degrees west 104 perches; thence along the east line of lot No. 321 being also the east line of Warrant No. 2591 north three and one-half degrees east 76 and five tenths perches; thence along the south line of lot No. 322 [illegible] south 87 degrees east 104 perches to the place of beginning containing [illegible] acres strict measure be the same more or less it being the north part of lots Nos. 426 and 427 of the allotment of the Bingham estate aforesaid and part of Warrant No. 2877 and also that other piece or parcel of land situate in the County and State aforesaid beginning at the northwest corner of lot No. [illegible] of the allotment of the Bingham lands in Keating [illegible] thence along the west line [illegible] and one-half degrees west [illegible] thence along the north line [illegible] parts of lots Nos. 427 and [illegible] above described and the north line of lots [illegible] north 87 degrees west 24 and seven tenths perches and thence along the east line of lot No. 426 north two and one-half degrees east 75 and three tenths perches, thence along the south line of lot No. 28 south 87 and one-half degrees east [illegible] to the place of beginning, containing [illegible] acres [illegible] be the same more or less [illegible] Warrants [illegible] premises [illegible] Wm. Marshall and others to C. W. Scofield [illegible] in the office [illegible] Deed Book No. [illegible] [illegible] Willing [illegible] improved and having thereon 11 oil wells, 11 carpenter rigs, 31 pumping outfits, 3 boilers [illegible] about 400 ft. steam lines, about 480 ft. [illegible] casing, about 51 [illegible] inch tubing, about [illegible] sucker rods, [illegible] bbl tanks, 1 [illegible] tank, [illegible] bbl tank, [illegible] bbl tanks, etc., upon the entire premises.

Seized taken in execution and will be sold as the property of C. W. Scofield at the suit of Clara A. Blood, executrix of A. R. Blood, deceased.

J. W. Lawton and F. T. Neel, plaintiff's att'ys.

A. B. WALKER, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office, Smethport, Pa., July 31, 1895.

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Administrator's Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT LETTERS of administration on the estate of Deborah Dennison, late of Smethport borough, McKean county, Pa., deceased, have been granted to N. C. Gallup, of Norwich, said county, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay.

N. C. GALLUP, Administrator.

Aug 2, 1895-6t.

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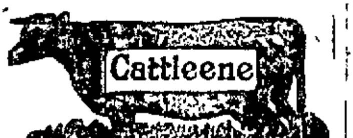

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Smethport, Pa., Aug 9, 1895

LOCAL NOTICES.

☞Morlan's ice cream at the Bakery.

☞Go to store of D. C. Young for full cream cheese from Eldred factory.

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☞Remember the excursion for the Sea Shore via Pennsylvania R. R. Thursday August 15th, is by regular trains known as Nos 14, Sea Shore Express, and No. 8, Express. Pullman Buffet Parlor Cars are attached to these trains and the rates are extremely low.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Beautiful moonlight nights.

A new walk has been laid in front of Brownell residence on State street.

T. J. Hungerford has moved into the ... on King street known as the ... annex.

Attention is called to the adv. of Chamberlain's Institute at Randolph, N. Y., and in another column.

Quite a few logs were splashed down ... creek last Sunday, enabling the ... to resume work on Monday.

Philip Sondheim has successfully passed the preliminary examination for registration as a student at law.

Billy Jones' dog has gone over the falls, or rather Gifford's dam. It was not a water spaniel, consequently did not make the shute hence Billy mourns.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lynch are rejoicing over the arrival of a bouncing baby boy who put in an appearance at their home on Keating Summit on Friday last.

The low rates offered by the Pennsylvania R. R. for a Sea Shore Excursion August 15th are unparalleled. Don't miss the opportunity, the last of the season.

—A joint picnic for St. Luke's and All Saint's Sunday Schools is being arranged for next week.

—Mrs. J. W. Sanborn has already secured a subscription of $225.00 for a new pipe organ for the M. E. church.

—A large delegation of Odd Fellows, accompanied by our band, attended the Odd Fellow's celebration at Emporium yesterday.

—R. C. Gleason displays some fine pictures. His many friends will be pleased to hear that he is meeting with good success.

—At St. Luke's church on next Sunday morning the offering will be for Diocesan Missions. Anthem service in the evening.

—Read H. Warshofsky's new adv. in another column. He announces his removal into his new and commodious store just erected at Smethport.

—On Monday Comrade Ryan pulled up a stalk of oats on the county farm that measured 5 feet and 3 inches and contained 162 kernels of wheat.

—Dr. Chadwick performed a surgical operation on August Peterson, of Clermont, last Saturday and that gentleman is now on the road to recovery.

—Do not fail to read the very interesting letter from Hattiesburg, Miss., giving a full description of the outrage, murder and lynching by an eye witness.

—Wednesday Judge Brownell commenced tearing down the old barn east of the new residence, for the purpose of erecting a new structure near the old spot.

—Mr. and Mrs. Fent. Rice, of Clermont have the sympathy of all in the loss of their infant son, who died on Saturday last of cholera infantum, aged about two years.

—About 1800 pounds of milk are received daily at the creamery. Mr. Hall informs us that he expects a larger quantity as soon as the farmers begin to grain their cattle.

—The excursion to the Sea Shore via Pennsylvania R. R. Thursday, August 15th, will no doubt be well patronized considering the usually low rates and the facilities offered.

—If any of our readers have not seen the Atlantic Ocean, they will have an opportunity to do so on the Pennsylvania R. R. Excursion Thursday, August 15th, the last chance of the season.

—Jeb Havens, formerly a resident of Farmers Valley, but for some time an inmate of the county house, died there Wednesday night at the age of 79 years. Funeral at Kasson to day.

—Just before going to press we received the "Redwood Realm," an illustrated pamphlet, through the kindness of J. W. Campbell, of Kane. It is a work full of fine engravings and interesting reading matter.

—The Bradford Sunday *Herald* speaks in high terms of our ball team and band. Thanks, brother Cooper, such kindness is what makes life comfortable, and we shall cherish your kind words in fond remembrance.

—Next Tuesday the Punxsutawney base ball team will cross bats with the Nonpariels at Hamlin Park. The Punxeys are said to be a strong ball team and a good game may be looked for. Do not fail to attend.

—Gov. Hastings has appointed Mrs. Ada Cable as one of the members of the Woman's Auxiliary, Committee to the Cotton States Exposition at Atlanta, Ga. Our hat is raised and best bow made to this fortunate lady.

—The hustling business firm of Olean, Andrews & Conkling, believe in advertising during the dull season. They justly believe that printer's ink judiciously applied is the best possible investment a merchant can make.

—The voice of the Emporium *Echo* is again heard reverberating among the hills and valleys of Cameron county. After a seven months' "Rip Van Winkle" sleep it is again stalking around. May it continue wide-awake to the end.

—Who ever heard of a newspaper man making money so fast that he had to suspend publication of the paper in order to have time to spend his money? Nevertheless one was heard to relate such an experience one day this week.

—Coudersport has organized a new base ball team and they have also secured the old Kernan ball ground, on the east side of the river, which they have put in excellent shape, built a new grand stand and are now in shape to play ball.

—Young Tull, who occupies the box for Smethport, is gaining an enviable reputation as an amateur ball player. The sports of the county seat are ready to stake their money on any game where Tull does the twirling.—*Era.* Yust right.

—Mat McGlory, one of Coudersport's good citizens, was wedded to Miss Mary Kinney, of Austin, on Tuesday last. Mat has escaped the toils of the fair ones for a long time, but has finally surrendered. Good luck to you, old man; dress up there.

—The low rates offered by the Pennsylvania R. R. for an excursion to the Sea Shore, August 15th, will allow excursionists to go to either Atlantic City, Cape May, Sea Isle City, Ocean City, Avalon, Anglesea, Wildwood or Holly Beach with stop off in Philadelphia returning.

—George Rudolph has opened a merchant tailoring shop in the Sartwell building, on Water street, west of the Baptist church. He will also do cleaning, scouring and repairing on ladies' and gentlemen's clothing. He has had an experience of several years in New York city and is qualified to do work in that line. Give him a call.

—The baggage master on the W. N. Y. & P. train which arrived at Larabee at 3:15 last Saturday, needs a little instruction, so that he will not inconvenience passengers by carrying their baggage the whole length of the line before delivering it to its destination, as he did with a trunk checked for Smethport, and also having other marks which denoted its destination.

—Monday evening Messrs. J. W. Bouton, Dan Bacon and Dr. Chadwick were coming down the Marvin creek road and when in the vicinity of Cap Comes' farm they discovered a house just this side to be on fire. The gentlemen stopped and proceeded to fight the flames, which were making rapid progress. The fire was soon extinguished and our townsmen resumed their journey homeward. The house was occupied by J. J. Newton and was but slightly damaged.

—In another column will be found the advertisement of Messrs Lovecraft & Son, of Olean, asking for supplies for their heading mill. Soon the harvest season will be over and the farmers will have several days that they could occupy in delivering pine and bass wood blocks at the several depots along the line for shipment to the Lovecraft factory at Olean. Here is an opportunity for every one that has such woods to dispose of to reap a little ready money.

—St. Luke's Guild has $3,000 towards their new parish house and expect to build next summer.

—Leon Hogarth must have every bug hunter in the county in his employ by the display in the drug store window.

—Dr. Chadwick informed a MINER representative that Lew Phillips would be able to be moved by the last of this week.

—At the Cleveland driving park last week Robert J., and Joe Patchen, the great pacers, met and Patchen carried off the honors in three of the fastest miles ever paced. Robert J. took the first heat in 2.05¼. Then Patchen followed with three straight, time: 2.01¼, 2.05 and 2.05¼. Patchen is now king of the turf.

—Do not fail to attend the ball game at Hamlin Park next Saturday afternoon between the new team from Kane and our first nine. Manager Burgess, of the Kane team, has taken extra pains to bring down an aggregation from the Mountain City that will just mop the ground with our boys. A good game is assured. Come and enjoy the sport.

—A serious runaway accident occurred on Prospect hill last Sunday whereby Thos. McCabe and Mrs. Pat. McCabe were quite severely injured. Some part of the harness broke as they were coming down the hill, letting the tongue drop to the ground. The horses started to run and the occupants were both thrown to the ground. Thomas had several ugly gashes on his head and Mrs. McCabe had two ribs broken.

—E. F. Cornell, who was nominated by the prohibitionists at Rixford on Tuesday as their candidate for county treasurer, is personally known to the management of this journal, and has been for over 25 years. Mr. Cornell is a man upright in every way, his integrity being beyond question, and is fully competent to fill the position. There is only one drawback to his election, and that is the lack of prohibition votes in the county.

—Buffalo Bill, with his mammoth wild west show, will be at Bradford on Thursday, Aug. 15th. If you have no little boy or girl of your own, some neighbor will be kind enough to loan you one to take to the show. It is over eight years since this great educational entertainment has been seen in this vicinity, and in those years it has had an experience and a career unequalled in the world's history. It presents the greatest series of accurate pictures of frontier life ever conceived, and is veritably "history related by the men who made it."

—This is evidently just a plain lie: "Word comes from Vintondale, near here, that a man near that place was the owner of a mare and young colt. While the colt was yet young, the mare got into a swamp and died. The farmer endeavored to raise the colt, by learning it to run with a very gentle cow, from which he had recently weaned a calf. To his surprise, the cow took readily to the little orphan and nursed it as her own. The colt is doing nicely, only it is sprouting two little horns and chews its cud. People are anxious to see the results. The colt also bawls like a calf, and would be quite an addition to any side show.—*Republican.* This explains the Kaneites aversion to the lacteal fluid and their fondness for beer.

—The Prohibition party of McKean county held their convention at Rixford last Tuesday. The meeting was called to order at 11 a. m. Rev. O. O. Wiard, of Duke Centre, was elected chairman, and D. W. Nutting, of Rixford, secretary. After the usual routine, the platform was presented, which strongly rebukes all interested in the sale of liquors and condemns the laws that allows the government to collect a revenue from the sale thereof, and advocates female suffrage. E. F. Cornell, of Port Allegany, was unanimously nominated as candidate for treasurer. This is an excellent selection. William Burr, of Foster township, was made chairman of the county committee; W. S. Robinson, of Bradford, secretary and treasurer. There were 75 delegates present.

—The treatment received by our base ball team during their recent visit to Bradford was not calculated to inspire them with much respect for the people of that city. During the game there on Thursday of last week the hoodlums who witnessed the game threw stones and sticks at the players, and no effort was made to stop the abuse except by some of the Bradford ball players. When the boys got into the wagon to come home, they were again subjected to a volley of rotten lemons and other missiles, and this time no one interfered. If the police and citizens of Bradford cannot protect visiting ball teams from insult and abuse, they cannot expect to witness very many games in that city, as no decent clubs will want to subject themselves to such treatment.

—W. I. Lewis and Mrs. Lydia Ross were joined in wedlock by the Rev. Joseph Dennis at the latter's home in Coudersport on Tuesday at 12 m. The bride was formerly a resident of this place and is a daughter of Mrs. W. J. Colegrove. She was married to John Ross, of Coudersport, in 1872, who died Dec. 14, 1882. Mrs. Ross has resided at her beautiful home in Ross Park ever since. Mr. Lewis is one of the leading members of the Potter county bar, and for a number of years practiced law at Duke Centre. When Judge Olmsted was elected to the bench Mr. Lewis became a partner to Mr. D. C. Larrabee, and since Mr. Larrabee's death has been head of the firm. The happy pair are now taking an extended wedding tour among the lakes, Thousand Islands and some of the eastern cities.

A Great Leader.

We are pleased to inform you that we have received the sole agency for Otto's Cure, the great throat and lung healer. Otto's Cure is the great leader of all proprietary preparations for the cure of coughs, colds, asthma, bronchitis, consumption, etc. We will guarantee Otto's Cure to cure you and if you will call at our store we will give you a bottle of this great guaranteed remedy free of charge. Otto's Cure instantly relieves croup and whooping cough. Don't delay. Samples free. Large bottles 50 and 25cts at McCoy's drug store, Smethport; C. A. Anderson, Colegrove; S. W. Stickney, Newerf.

Stomach and Bowel Complaints are best relieved by the timely use of DeWitt's Colic & Cholera Cure. Insist on having this preparation. Don't take any other. A. W. Colegrove.

Diarrhœa should be stopped promptly. It soon becomes chronic. DeWitt's Colic and Cholera Cure is effective, safe and certain. Hundreds of testimonials bear witness to the virtue of this great medicine. It can always be depended upon, its use saves time and money. A. W. Colegrove.

Mr. A. A. Snyder, Supt. Poor Farm, Winnesheik Co., Ia., says:—Last winter Mr. Robert Leach used two boxes of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve and cured a large running sore on his leg. Had been under care of physician for months without obtained relief. Sure cure for Piles. A. W. Colegrove.

We want you to sell Climax Button and Drawer Supporter. Complete set sent for 10c. For terms address the Climax Button Co., lock box 23, Buffalo, N.Y.

The Bradford Game.

The game on Thursday of last week between Bradford and Smethport on the former's ground resulted in an easy victory for our boys. The attendance was very large. Some of Bradford's sporty people wanted to do a little betting, but they found too many takers, so they quit the game. Below is the score:

SMETHPORT.	ab	r	bh	po	a	e
Keefer, c	5	1	2	12	0	
Tull, r f & p	5	1	2	1	4	
H. Young, c f	5	2	1	0	0	
T. Young, 2b & r f	4	1	1	0	1	
Fuller, p & 2b	4	0	2	1	3	
Sasse, l f	3	2	2	1	0	
Morrison, 1b	4	1	0	8	0	
Bell, ss	4	1	1	2	2	
Pierce, 3b	3	3	2	0	1	
Totals.	37	12	11	26	11	4

BRADFORD.	ab	r	bh	po	a	e
Hackett, l f	4	2	2	3	0	
Collins, 2b	4	1	1	2	1	
James, 3b	4	1	0	2	1	
Nelson, c	5	0	1	7	1	
Maher, s s	5	1	0	0	0	
Emery, 1b	4	0	2	11	0	
Southwick, c f	4	0	0	0	0	
Bowers, r f	3	0	1	0	2	
Keelan, p	4	1	1	0	3	
Totals.	39	08	8	24	16	10

*Nelson out, hit by batted ball.

Innings	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Smethport	2	1	7	0	0	0	0	2	*	—12
Bradford	2	2	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	— 8

Home run—Keefer.
Base on balls—off Fuller 3; Tull 2; Keelan 3.
Struck out—by Fuller 3; Tull 2; Keelan 2.
Umpire—Rynchman.

Obituary.

Mrs. Casper Hafner died at her home in Clermont on Friday, Aug. 2, of cholera morbus, aged 65 years, 8 months and 11 days.

Mrs. Hafner was born in Nuremberg, Germany, and came to America in 1851. On May 8, 1854, she married Casper Hafner in New York, whose death occured seven years ago. She was taken sick Aug. 1 and lived only one day. Six children are left to mourn her sudden demise—Mrs. John Martin, Mrs. Ed. McKean, Mrs. A. J. Bond, Miss Mollie Hafner, Will and John Hafner. Deceased united with the Lutheran Church when she was 14 years of age, and was an estimable woman in every respect. The MINER joins with a large number of friends in extending sympathy to the bereaved family.

Clippings From Sunday Herald.

The following persons took in the ball game.

District Attorney Sheridan Gorton and wife took in the sights including the parade and the ball game.

Justice and Mrs. Knapp were interested spectators.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Purtle were among the participants. Mr. Purtle blows the big horn in the band and is an enthusiastic ball rooter.

Sam Bell pounded the snare drum all morning, and in the afternoon pounded the ball all over the field.

Landlord Breneman, the accomodative and clever host of the Grand Central, Smethport, was on hand.

T. H. Morrison, the level-headed first baseman of the Smethport nine, is visiting Gustine Cable.

Resolutions of Crosby Tent No. 84.

It has pleased the Allwise Providence to remove by death Sir Knight John Butler, a kind husband and loving father and highly respected member of our tent, be it

RESOLVED That we cherish the memory of our Sir Knight and admonish each and every member of our tent to retain a lively recollection of the good deeds done by him to retain the credit of our noble order.

RESOLVED That our charter be draped for a period of ninty days and a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family one to the county paper for publication and same spread on the minutes of our records.

F. V. BABCOCK
W. V. PROUTY
F. G. PATTISON
Committee.

$100 Reward, $100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages and that is catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address,

F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O.

☞Sold by Druggists, 75cts.

One More Seashore Excursion.

If any of our readers were unable to take advantage of the Sea Shore excursion on Thursday August 1st they have another opportunity as the Pennsylvania R. R Co. has arranged for one more cheap rate excursion on Thursday August 15, 1895, giving the excursionists the privilege of visiting any of the following seaside resorts, Atlantic City, Cape May, Sea Isle City, Ocean City, Avalon, Anglesea, Wildwood or Holly Beach. Tickets will be sold from Emporium Junction at $7.00 for the round trip, good going to Philadelphia only on train leaving Emporium Junction 8.25 a. m. and will be good for return passage within ten days. Passengers may use any train from Philadelphia to either of the seashore points named above on day of excursion or the following day. Tickets will allow stop off at Philadelphia, returning within the limit.

Arrived at Last.

Last week two young ladies had the courage of their convictions to appear on our streets in bloomer costumes, the only sensible dress for a woman to wear while riding a wheel. Of course the young ladies attracted considerable attention, which was only natural after all the newspaper talk that has been indulged in. Still the attraction may have been caused by the fine appearance of the ladies.

Bucknell University.

The best school is the cheapest. Nearly one million dollars invested in Bucknell University. John Howard Harris president. College with four courses of study. Academie for boys; Ladies Institute and School of Music. For catalogue address W. C. Gretzniger, registrar, Lewisburg, Penna.

A Big Surprise

In store for all who try Bacon's Celery King for the Nerves. The general verdict of all who have used this great vegetable preparation is that it is the grandest remedy ever discovered for the cure of dyspepsia, liver complaint, general debility, etc. Bacon's Celery King for the Nerves stimulates the digestive organs, regulates the liver and restores the system to vigorous health and energies. Samples free. Large packages 50 and 25cts. Sold only by McCoy's drug store, Smethport; C. A. Anderson, Colegrove; S. W. Stickney, Newerf.

Grain Cradles,

solid steel scythe $3.25 & $3.50, grass scythe 45c., snath 40c., scythe stone 5c., bamboo music or shelf bracket and bamboo table $1.20 others sell same goods at $1.75, easels 40 and 70c. RACKET.

Severe griping pains of the stomach and bowels instantly and effectually stopped by DeWitt's Colic & Cholera Cure. A. W. Colegrove.

Flour,

the best T. & C. Crystal & Matchless $1.25 our Racket flour $1.15 Moss Rose 85c good sweet bread but dark.

RACKET.

Easy to take, sure to cure, no pain, nothing to dread, pleasant little pills. DeWitt's Little Early Risers. Best for Sick Headache, Billiousness, Sour Stomach and Constipation. A. W. Colegrove.

☞The Sea Shore Excursion via Pennsylvania Railroad, Thursday, August 15th promises to be well patronized.

SOCIETY AND PERSONAL NOTES.

We would deem it a favor if those having friends visiting in this place would notify us by postal or by leaving a notice at this office.

Judge Morrison visited Bradford Wednesday.

J. F. Rooney visited Buffalo (?) on Tuesday.

Miss Alice Thamm is visiting friends at Straights.

M. J. Fitzgerald, of Kane, visited the hub yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cap Comes visited Bradford Wednesday.

Herman Tull tossed ball at Franklinville Wednesday.

Gus Doyle was down from McKean's mill on Sunday.

Gustine Cable, of Bradford, was in town on Monday.

Alec Clark bicycled over from Bradford on Sunday last.

O. T. Chase was down from Ormsby the first of the week.

Mrs. G. W. Mitchell went to Bradford on Saturday morning.

A. J. Bond and wife, of Bradford, drove to the hub last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Armstrong visited Emporium on Wednesday.

Seth Gifford returned from Philadelphia Wednesday morning.

Billy Jones made a business trip to Potter county on Wednesday.

Mrs. N. H. Knapp and children are visiting relatives in Bradford.

Elmer Crum, wife and son went to Cuba on Monday to visit friends.

Miss S. A. Wright, of Philadelphia, is visiting B. F. Wright and family.

Julius Lederer, of Coudersport was a caller at our office last Friday afternoon.

Commissioners Foster and Hungiville had business in Bradford on Monday.

Miss Flora Stevenson, a niece of Chas. McKean returned home Wednesday.

C. O. Laymon and two nieces, of Port Allegany, visited Olean on Friday last.

S. E. Bell and wife entertained a large whist and pedro party Wednesday night.

J. Duffy, the popular tailor of Ford's Red Front, Olean, was here Thursday.

F. G. Lindholm, our popular down-town merchant, spent Sunday at Chautauqua.

Orlo Hamlin returned yesterday from a week's visit with friends at Binghamton.

Fred Gallup entertained a party of young friends Tuesday night on the q—t.

Att'y H. S. Rogers, of Mt. Jewett, transacted business at the hub on Tuesday.

S. A. Backer and daughter, Miss Effie, arrived from Boston on Saturday afternoon.

James and Miss Alice Richards were guests of friends in town the first of the week.

Miss Rose Allen has been hired to fill out the corps of teachers in the school here.

J. C. Breneman and wife drove to Bradford on Monday morning to visit friends.

Misses Josie and Helen Holder left last Friday for an extended visit with friends at Elmira.

The veteran Wm Hyde, of Bells Run, made us a pleasant call yesterday. Come again, sir.

Scott Thompson, of Buffalo, and Chas Tucker, of Jamestown, were here on Tuesday night.

Miss Anna Tracy went to Keating Summit on Monday last to visit the newly arrived nephew.

Mr. Kilduff has rented the Nash building corner Fulton and Main street and will start a resturant.

Miss Elizabeth Shaffer, of Buffalo, arrived on Wednesday night for a week's visit with Mrs. Carrie Reilly.

Miss Etta Foote, sister of Mrs. F. W. Brownell, returned to her home in Armour, N. Y., on Tuesday.

George Denning and family will occupy the house on Water street where Ed Hungerford formerly lived.

Neil C. MacEwen, one of Kane's hustling young attorneys, had business at the county seat last Saturday.

Art Hurley, of Bradford, Geo. Snyder and John Markham, of Kane, were in town on Wednesday night.

Miss Josie Baker left for her home in Buffalo last Tuesday after an extended visit with Smethport friends.

Mrs. Ida H. Clay, Mrs. M. E. Stang and Mrs. Harry Spear, all of Pittsburg, are guests of Christian Herzog.

Col. Hugh Boyd, of Clermont, was down Monday and reports business booming in the city above the clouds.

Fred Bickford and wife, of E Bradford were guests of J. C. Breneman and wife, of the Grand Central, on Sunday.

J. B. Sprague arrived home yesterday. He was accompanied by his neice, Miss Hattie Sprague, of Moosup, Conn.

Mrs. John Hungerford returned from a two weeks' visit with her parents in Cattaraugus Co., N. Y., on Monday last.

John W. Baker, of the Bradford Sunday *Herald*, a former typo in the MINER office, was a pleasant caller on Monday.

John Mullin came over from Bradford Tuesday night to talk over the fishing trip he and Fred Gallup had last spring.

N. C. Gallup, of Colegrove, was a pleasant caller at this office on Tuesday. He reports business as booming in Colegrove.

Misses Anna M. and Emilie N. Gilbert, of Philadelphia, are visiting their uncle, T. J. Gilbert, and family, on Rose Hill Avenue.

Fred H. Coon, of Olean, wheeled into Smethport on Saturday to spend Sunday with his many friends in town, returning on Monday.

Miss Mary Purtle, of Pittsburg, arrived on Monday to visit her brother, T. H. Purtle, and will afterwards visit her home in Susquehanna Co.

Andrew Reilly came over from Emporium on Saturday to spend Sunday with his family. He reports making great progress on his sewer job.

Bert Rogers, who has been on the *Democrat* for about six months, returned to his home in Duke Centre on Tuesday last. May his lines fall in pleasant places.

A. E. Warren, of Eldred, passed through town Saturday on his way to Ebensburg, Clarion Co., where he will engage in business. May success attend his efforts.

D. W. Butterworth and wife, of Coudersport, visited Olean on Saturday. There is a greater Coudersport, but the chances are that D. W. will seek a larger town in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Crandall are now pleasantly located at their new home in Coudersport. The MINER hopes that their new abode will be fully as agreeable as their last one was here.

John McCarty took his wife to Sizerville on Thursday where she will remain a few days to try the waters of that pleasant resort. We trust the result will be of permanent benefit.

Hon. B. D. Hamlin and wife and Judge A. G. Olmsted and wife started last week for a couple of weeks' sojourn at Saratoga. When they arrived at Buffalo Mrs. Olmsted was not feeling very well and the trip was abandoned, Mr. and Mrs. Olmsted returning on Saturday and Mr. and Mrs. Hamlin on Monday.

Eugene Mullin came up from the farm on Thursday morning looking as though making hay agreed with him. His neighbors gave him a surprise party the night before and the light fantastic toe was danced until the "wee sma' hours o' the morning."

The people from here who took in the excursion to Niagara Falls last Tuesday were, S. R. Lindsley, wife and son, Miss Anna Lindsley, of Blossburg, Pa., mesdames B. F. Wright, Jas. McGuire and daughter, Brosius Crandall, Burg Chadwick, E. M. Kerns, Carrie Reilly, Misses Edith Shoemaker, Mate Sartwell, Carrie Oviatt, Cora Mason, Elitha Armstrong, and Messrs. L. W. Mason and A. H. Carter.

Jessie Breneman, Lucy and Arthur Mitchell gave a juvenile party to about 40 of their young friends Tuesday night at the opera house. The rain in the early part of the evening interfered somewhat but only made the happy young people more anxious when they did get an opportunity to let their lively young feet fly around. Mrs. Harry Wells furnished some excellent music. Supper was served at the Grand Central and if laughter and merriment is any indication of having a good time they certainly had it. Dancing ceased about 12 o'clock when Col. J. C. Breneman sent his aid, G. W. Mitchell down to the opera house to escort the dancers to supper.

A REAL ESTATE SALE

Ten Big Lots to be Sold.

A grand investment for every purchaser. These lots will be cut up to suit the buyer. Plenty of time will be given to those who wish to think and decide while their neighobrs are picking the plums and cream of the bargains.

LOT No. 1, Situated in the Dress Goods Department. 10 pcs. at 25c. 15 pcs. at 29c. 12 pcs. at 38c.
LOT No 2. 100 pcs. silk from 25c a yd up to 75c. These are reduced 25 per cent.
LOT No. 3. 48 pieces best Duck at 9c a yard.
LOT No. 4. 25 pieces best Jaconets at 9c a yard.
LOT No. 5. 60 pieces Percale at 6 1 2 and 10c a yard.
LOT No. 6. 15 pieces of all wool Challies at 25c a yard.
LOT No. 7. 10 pieces Wash Swivel Silks, best goods at 23c yd.
LOT No. 8. Entire stock of Suits, Cloaks, Jackets and Capes to be sold regardless of cost.
LOT No. 9. 20 Duck Suits, former price $3.98 at half price.
LOT No. 10. 8 pieces of Table Liner of different kinds in Red Green and unbleached at 25c a yard.

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OLEAN, N. Y., Aug. 8th, 1895.

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In a handsome shade of Russet. Narrow, Square and Needle pointed toes. Laces with hooks at top like Mens shoes.

Any size or width.

Delivered at your home for $2.54. Send cash with order.

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AROUND THE COUNTY.

Interesting News From Various Localities Picked up by Our Regular Correspondents.

KANESHOLM.

Mrs. J. W. Vantine, of Bradford, is visiting Mrs. H. W. Dolloffe.

Our supervisor is repairing the Smethport road, or rather thinks he is. This road that has more travel on it then all the other roads in the township is the last one to get any work done on it and it is the most important thoroughfare between Kane and other towns in the county. It should be kept in good condition. Scraping loose dirt on a road bed is not building roads. The constant travel by light and heavy vehicles grinds the dirt into powder in dry weather, causing a continuous cloud of dust so that instead of pleasure it is a misery to the traveler and more misery to the horse. Our road will be continued to be repaired in the same way as long as we work under the present law and system.

Comrades Wilkins and Williams and their families were very much pleased with their trip to Bradford on Thursday last at the reunion of the McKean County association of the G. A. R. and too much praise cannot be given to the ladies of the W. R. C. for the grand dinner and supper they served the boys in blue and the comrades of Post 141 for the way they treated their visiting comrades. But, say, the next reunion we don't want any preacher or any one else to bring in politics. We have all shades of politics and religion in the G. A. R., but we don't discuss it at our meetings, but touch elbows right along the line with a firm front as of old.

Mrs. Graff and her little son, Byron, of Mt. Alton, visited Mrs. L. M. Johnson and Mrs. Wilkins Thursday and Friday of last week. Mrs. Graff taught school here 13 years ago. The boys and girls she then taught are now young men and women. They have nothing but kindly thoughts for her. The parents of these boys and girls have the same feelings and say she was the best teacher that ever taught in our school. She was then Miss Mary Hafner. She is at present in very poor health.

The ladies of our Sabbath School held an ice-cream and cake festival on Saturday evening. The receipts were $12.15. There will be another in about two weeks. When oysters are in season oyster suppers will be held. The object is to get money enough to purchase an organ.

Mr. and Mrs. Spiker visited Bradford last week, returning Friday evening. Mrs. Spiker left Saturday morning for Pine station, Clinton county. She had received a telegram her brother was dying.

Oscar Berling is going to visit Idaho; is going to spy out the land. He says next time he buys a farm he is going to own it clear down to China, as he is tired of paying taxes on a farm where he only owns it plow share deep.

Mr. and Mrs. Shanley and children went to Mayville, N. Y., on Saturday morning to visit Mrs. Shanley's parents. Mrs. Shanley's sister, Miss Amelia Carlson, will be married on the 15th.

Our farmers have about done haying. With some the crops were very poor.

NORWICH.

Earl Gallup rode his wheel to a friend's place in Irish Hollow a short time ago and wishing to go to his uncle's house, which was near, he left the wheel in the yard and went away. When he came back some person had been riding the wheel and had broken the handle bars.

Last Monday while George Rowley was mowing he left his horses and went to the house to get his watch. While he was away the horses became frightened and ran against a large tree breaking the machine in several places.

William Rowley, of this place, was on the passenger train, during the wreck at East Smethport about a week ago. He was not injured but received the full benefit of a can of ice water.

N. W. Heinemann lost one of his heavy work horses last week, death being caused by over feeding.

W. B. Richey has gone to Bradford.

Burdette Dickinson visited in Smethport last Tuesday.

Temperance meeting at the "Corners" last Sunday evening was led by Miss Eva Gallup.

Miss Lydia Grantier, of Newerf, visited Miss Carrie Dickinson last Friday evening.

Orson Cory, of Coryville, was calling on friends in this place the first of the week.

G. A. Burdick had a small tumor taken from his right hand last Wednesday.

Miss Lena Dickinson is visiting in Smethport this week.

ANNIN CREEK.

Mrs. Upthegrove, an aged lady, who lived with Mr. and Mrs. James Upthegrove, of Two Mile, died last Thursday. The remains were brought to Annin Creek for burial the 3d inst.

Asle Holcomb, of Franklinville, and John Holcomb, from near Allentown, N. Y., stayed over night at C. H. Holcomb's not long since.

Theodore Stuart and son came down from Portage Creek on Saturday. They stayed with E. C. Cooper and family over night.

The threshing machine was running in this neighborhood last Saturday, threshing the rye crop for Wm. Wightman.

Alfred Meade and wife and David Root were the guests of Theron Cooper over Sunday. They reside near Bolivar.

Will Simpson and Miss Clara Taylor were breathing the pure air of this locality on Sunday.

Orin Evans and wife returned from Norwich, where they have been visiting their parents.

John Williams and wife, of Ellisburg, are visiting in this place at this writing.

Miss Lydia Taylor, of Turtle Point, was bicycling upon our streets Saturday.

Clair Fulmer was down from Coudersport, calling on friends here over Sunday.

Miss Amelia Evans has been spending a few days with friends on Bells Run.

Miss Florence Buckley, of Olean, is in town.

CLERMONT.

There was a large turnout at the funeral of Mrs. Casper Hafner on Monday last.

John Kleinath, of Russellas, Elk Co., had business in town one day this week.

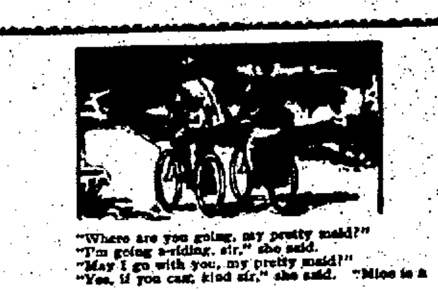
Mrs. Jennie Farr has purchased a track of land of John Kleinath and will erect a house on same in the near future.

The Catholic church is nearly completed. L. Konig, of Smethport, is doing the painting.

The work on the Buffalo & St. Marys R. R. is proceeding very rapidly.

H. E. Wallingdorf, the superintendent of the Buffalo & St. Marys R. R. was in town one day this week settling for the right of way for said railroad.

Our town is now booming. Our Landlords Boyd & Smith are building an addition to their hotel.



"Where are you going, my pretty maid?" "I'm going a-riding, sir," she said. "May I go with you, my pretty maid?" "Yes, if you can [illegible]," said she. "Mine is a Rambler."

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Dongola Turn	1 25 Shoes	reduced to	1 00
Dongola Turn	1 00 Shoes	reduced to	80
Misses Dongola	2 00 Shoes	reduced to	1 32
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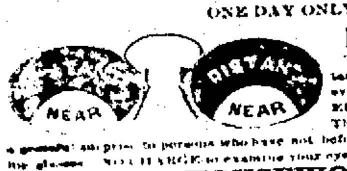

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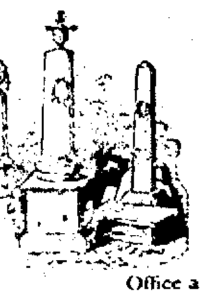

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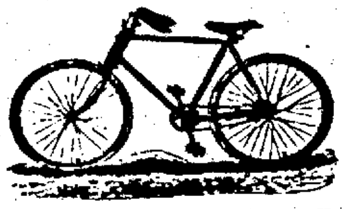

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OLD KICKAPOO GUN.

AN ANCIENT CANNON THAT HAS A REMARKABLE RECORD.

It Played an Important Part in the Struggles Over Slavery In Kansas—Was a Bone of Contention—Saved From the Furnace by a Historical Society.

There was recently shipped from Chicago to the Kansas State Historical society one of the most valuable relics of the border ruffian warfare. It is the Old Kickapoo cannon which did service at Old Kickapoo, Lawrence and other points along the Missouri border during Kansas' early struggle for free state government. This old gun formed the bone of contention in many a hard fought contest between proslavery and antislavery forces, and a large number of the old citizens of Kansas can remember the stirring events clustering about the history of this remarkable implement of warfare.

Of late years the whereabouts of the old gun has been a matter of conjecture, and by many it was thought to have been lost, but it is due to the efforts of Colonel H. Miles Moore and Captain J. C. Walkinshaw of Leavenworth that Old Kickapoo has been resurrected. It now rests in the rooms of the State Historical society in this city.

The gun is a six pounder smoothbore brass cannon and was first stolen from the United States arsenal at Liberty, Mo., and from there taken by General Richardson's army to the sacking and burning of the old Free State hotel at Lawrence, the Eldridge House, after it was indicted by the proslavery grand jury at Lecompton and ordered abated as a nuisance by Judge Cato, who had the writ directed to Sheriff Jones, who summoned the posse, mostly from Missouri, to assist in executing the writ.

The bombardment which followed was one of the memorable conflicts of border ruffian days. The cannon was placed on Massachusetts street, Lawrence, opposite, and trained on the hotel and fired by General David Atchison, then a United States senator from Missouri. The first shot went over the roof of the hotel. The second went through a second story window, and the third and fourth shots struck the stone walls, scarcely making an impression on them.

Jones, seeing that he was not likely to abate the nuisance that way, applied the torch and destroyed the building. The posse then scattered. The Kickapoo rangers then took charge of the cannon and carted it to the village of Kickapoo, six miles up the river from Leavenworth. It was planted on top of a high bluff and there remained posted as a menace to the free state men of Leavenworth.

Colonel H. Miles Moore first suggested the plan to go up to Kickapoo and capture the gun. He communicated his scheme to a few free state men, and ten of the more daredevil ones, under the leadership of Captain I. G. Losee, well armed with Sharp's rifles and revolvers, made a dash for Kickapoo one dark night, took possession of the cannon, and without being discovered were soon back in Leavenworth. Fearing the gun might be recovered by a writ in the hands of the sheriff or other proslavery officers of the county or territory, the gun carriage was hidden in the south part of Leavenworth and the cannon buried in Dr. Davis' old peach orchard, where it remained a short time.

Fearing danger, it was dug up and taken to Lawrence one dark night in the bottom of a wagon covered with hay. It remained but a short time, when it was taken back to Leavenworth and placed in Dr. Davis' temporary graveyard until the warclouds of 1856 and 1857 had passed away. The gun was then resurrected and turned over to the society of turners of Leavenworth, in whose keeping it remained for a long series of years. On each recurring Fourth of July and other state occasions and holidays "Old Kickapoo" was brought out, crowned with laurels and escorted with music and joyous crowds through the streets of the city.

Finally the turners relaxed in their care of the old cannon, and some ill advised parties without authority loaned the gun one day to the Leavenworth Coal company for the purpose of aiding them to free the shaft of a mass of debris that had fallen and clogged up the hoisting shaft. The gun was taken down the air shaft, loaded with solid shot, placed upright and fired into the mass above. As there was no chance for a recoil, the gun burst, tearing a huge piece from the side of the old warrior.

The gun was returned to the turners, but they seemed to have no use for it, and soon it was lost, and no one knew anything about it. About five years ago Colonel H. Miles Moore was passing down Shawnee street, Leavenworth, and in an alley near a tinshop noticed an old cannon. He gave it a close inspection and found it to be Old Kickapoo. The turners had sold it to the tinner for $25, and he was about to ship it to Chicago for old brass. Appeals to patriotism were in vain, and Mr. Moore subsequently communicated with the Historical society, and after some correspondence the society appropriated $200 for the purchase of the cannon. In the meantime the tinner had shipped the gun to Chicago, where it was recently found in a brass foundry ready to be consigned to a furnace. The gun reached Topeka in safety.—St. Louis Republic.

In the Barrack Yard.

Corporal — When approaching your horses from behind, you must call out to them, else they will kick your thick skulls, and the end of the story will be that we have nothing but lame horses in the squadron.—Soldatenfreund.

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A HARVEST SONG.

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Bind, bind the sheaves.
Wide and wider grows the swath.
Either side the bright corn leaves
Billows of gold.

Trees a glory of bronze and red,
Bind, bind the sheaves.
Misty sunshine overhead.
Through the chequer of thinning leaves
The air is cold.

Breath of the coming frost is there,
Bind, bind the sheaves.
Vines that cling to the house grow bare.
Swallows leave their nests in the eaves
Empty and old.

Apple globes, crimson and white,
Bind, bind the sheaves.
Winnowed grain, sunnily bright
(Glittering gold that was sheaves),
The white bins hold.

Fill the flagon up to the brim,
Bind, bind the sheaves,
Until the foam runs over the rim.
(It mellowed long where the spider weaves
In dusk and mold.)

Fill and drink the cider clear,
Bind, bind the sheaves.
Bid farewell to the passing year,
Close the book with blotted leaves.
Their tale is told.
—Edith Boyce in Outing.

ADVENTURE WITH A MUMMY.

The Archeologist Lost His Treasure, but Escaped With His Life.

A French archeologist traveling among the Andes in search of knowledge and specimens had a great desire to explore some caves in the sides of the precipices. They were doubtless ancient tombs and would probably yield him a treasure. He selected a favorable spot, therefore, rigged a sort of chair or seat between two leather cords and engaged two Indians to let him down from the brow of the precipice. "A descent of 300 feet made in this way," he tells us, "is extraordinarily long."

However, he reached the cave in safety, and on forcing a passage into it was rewarded by finding two skulls and a mummy, "thoroughly dry," he says, "and pretty solid." He passed a string through the eyeholes of the skulls and attached them to his belt. Then he took the mummy in his arms and signaled to the Indians to draw him up. With his heels he defended himself against the jutting rocks, and in a few minutes was almost on an even with the top. The Indians knew nothing about his load. Just then the yellow skull of one of their ancestors appeared before their eyes, and the idiots gave a start of surprise. The Frenchman thought they must have let go the cord.

"It was the affair of a second," he writes. "What passes in the brain of a man at such an instant is indescribable. I did not drop a yard, but I experienced all the horror of a man in rapidly falling through space. My hands let go the mummy, and while, covered with a cold sweat, I was helped over the edge of the cliff by the Indians, the mummy bounded from rock to rock and landed in bits at the bottom of the chasm."

He overwhelmed the Indians with invective, but to no purpose. Such dead men, they assured him, if disturbed in their sepulcher, had the habit of kissing the Indians, who perished infallibly under their deadly breath. One of the two declared that his own father had died in that way.

The other assured the Frenchman that at the moment when the head of the mummy showed above the edge of the rocks it opened its mouth. If it had not luckily fallen into the abyss, it would have cursed them forever.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

The Origin of "Linger."

A correspondent sends the following derivation of the term "linger:" "Early in the forties there moved from Vermont to one of the then flourishing cotton manufacturing villages of New Hampshire a man with a large family of children, to keep one of the corporation boarding houses. He was a tall, lank dyspeptic. There was but one shoe store in the village; in the rear of the store was a room for making and repairing shoes. Here was a Frenchman, and a lover of mischief. One day the tavern keeper entered the shop and said: 'Hello! Are you a shoemaker?' 'Yes,' was the answer, 'and linger at it.' The Frenchman caught on, and in a day or two there was hung outside the building, with other store goods, probably the most uncouth, bunglingly made pair of shoes ever seen on the continent, labeled 'Lingers.' There they hung until every man, woman and child in the village had looked them over. From that day the members of the dyspeptic's family were known as 'lingers.' And the word was applied to everything as a superlative, to a fine yoke of oxen or a big fish."—Boston Journal.

The Thoughtful Chauncey.

A good story is told on Chauncey Depew. He received a letter from a young married friend in Albany asking for a pass for his mother-in-law, who was coming to make him a visit, and closing with the delicate hint, "Don't forget to have the return coupon attached." Mr. Depew is nothing if not worldly wise and sympathetic, and in sending the pass he wrote, "I have not neglected the return coupon and have limited it to three days."—Minneapolis Journal.

Valley Forge's Lone Gravestone.

Only one grave, that of John Waterman of Rhode Island, marked with a rudely carved sandstone, has been identified of all who died at Valley Forge during that perilous winter of 1778. "J. W., 1778," are all the marks that are on the stone, but the records show whose grave it is. All the other graves have been plowed over for more than a century.—Richmond Dispatch.

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PARTY GOVERNMENT.

DISCUSSED BY THE REPUBLICAN CLUB OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

Enlargement of the Republican State Committee Necessary—All Plans Discussed and Submitted to the Republicans of the State For Their Consideration.

The following able address to the Republican voters of the state has been issued by the campaign committee of the Republican club of the city of New York:

GENTLEMEN—At a meeting of the Republican club of the city of New York, held July 15, the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That the Republican club of the city of New York recommends to the next Republican state convention that the state committee be enlarged and that the basis of representation of the party in the state committee be changed.

Resolved, That the campaign committee be authorized to present the foregoing resolution to the public and to the next state convention in such manner as to the said committee may seem advisable, together with the various plans of enlargement that have been or may be suggested.

Pursuant to these resolutions the campaign committee presents the following address:

The state committee for many years has been composed of one member from each congressional district in the state. At present, therefore, it consists of 34 members, to which has been added a member for the state at large to represent the colored voters, and an advisory committee of three, consisting of Hon. T. C. Platt, Hon. C. M. Depew and Hon. Warner Miller, making a total of 38 members. Of the congressional districts five lie in Kings county, eight in New York county, two in Erie county, one each in Albany and Monroe counties, while one consists of Richmond and part of New York and another of Westchester and part of New York. Of the remaining 15 districts four consist of two counties each, four of three counties, two of four counties and five of five counties each. The following 27 counties are directly represented in the state committee—viz: Queens, Kings, Richmond, New York, Westchester, Orange, Dutchess, Columbia, Albany, Greene, St. Lawrence, Essex, Oswego, Oneida, Broome, Onondaga, Wayne, Steuben, Orleans, Monroe, Erie and Allegheny. The remaining 33 counties have no resident member of the state committee. Assuming, however, that Mr. Miller and Mr. Platt, as members of the advisory committee, represent Herkimer and Tioga counties, there remain 31 counties without a resident member of the state committee—viz: Cattaraugus, Cayuga, Chautauqua, Chemung, Chenango, Clinton, Cortland, Delaware, Franklin, Fulton, Hamilton, Genesee, Jefferson, Lewis, Livingston, Madison, Montgomery, Niagara, Ontario, Otsego, Putnam, Rensselaer, Rockland, Saratoga, Schenectady, Schoharie, Schuyler, Seneca, Suffolk, Sullivan, Tompkins, Ulster, Warren, Washington, Wyoming and Yates.

It is quite clear that the state committee, as thus constituted, based upon the congressional district plan of representation, which leaves 35 counties—more than half of the counties of the state—without a resident member, is not sufficiently representative in character nor close enough to the people to secure the best results. No man can successfully cover a congressional district consisting of four or five counties during a campaign and ascertain as thoroughly and accurately as should be done the conditions and needs of the party in so large a territory.

A basis of representation by counties or by districts which relate to state affairs seems more appropriate than representation by congressional districts. The number of congressional districts varies with every United States census and is likely to diminish rather than increase. Senate and assembly districts and counties are divided by congressional district lines, a fact which has often led to difficulty and confusion in the choice of state committeemen under the existing plan.

The state of New York is a large state. It contains 49,170 square miles, divided into 60 counties. According to the state census of 1892, it contains a population of 6,513,344. The total vote in 1894 was 1,275,671, of which 673,818 were Republican. Politically it is the most important state. The Republican party should therefore have the most efficient, active and complete organization throughout the state that can be devised.

The state committee is charged with and held responsible for the management of the state campaign. Its efficiency depends largely upon the accuracy of its knowledge of the political conditions existing in every part of the state and the skill and ability with which it conducts the campaign. It should know, through its own members, the actual conditions existing in every district of the state throughout a campaign, and an important duty of its members should be to obtain and to promptly furnish to the chairman such information. For these reasons it is evident that the best interests of the party would be promoted by enlarging the membership of the state committee and changing the basis of its representation, bringing it closer to the people and making it a more representative body.

The following plans of enlargement have been suggested:

First.—It is proposed that the state committee should consist of one member from each assembly district, as now fixed by the constitution. This plan would create a committee of 150 members.

The advocates of this plan insist that such a committee will be none too large to represent the 673,818 Republican voters of the state and to do thoroughly and intelligently the work devolving upon the state committee, and that it will be sufficiently representative in character to satisfy the just expectations of the party, will be in close touch with the people and familiar with their conditions and needs in every campaign. Such a committee would be fully competent to plan and intelligently direct a state campaign with energy, ability and success.

It is claimed by those who oppose this plan that a committee of 150 would be too large and unwieldy.

Second.—It is proposed that the state committee should consist of 60 members, one from each county, with the further suggestion that the chairman of the county committee should be ex officio the member of the state committee from each county.

The advocacy of this plan is based upon the proposition that the county is, or ought to be, the unit of political work and activity so far as a state campaign is concerned.

The objections made to this plan are that there is great inequality in the population of the counties, which would thus be given equal voice and power in the deliberations and acts of the state committee, and that the chairman of the county committee is especially charged with the election of the county ticket, which necessarily demands his entire time and energies.

Third.—It is proposed that the state committee should consist of 50 members, one from each senate district, as fixed by the constitution. This would add 16 to the present committee and would reduce the number of counties having no resident member from 35 to 30. One senate district has as many as four counties. This district, however, includes Hamilton county, of which the vote is so small that it is classed politically as a unit with Fulton county. Eight senate districts have 3 counties each; 11, 2 counties each; 6, 1 county each; while Kings comprises 7 senate districts, New York, 12, Monroe, 2, and Erie, 3.

Those who favor this plan urge that it would sufficiently remove the objection to the present system—namely, want of popular representation; that it would be based upon lines of the new senate districts, which are certain to be centers of political activity in state affairs, and would not divide the lines of any county or assembly district, and that it would prevent the committee from being too large and unwieldy.

It is claimed by the opponents of this plan that such a committee would not be sufficiently representative, as 30 counties—one-half of the counties of the state—would be without a resident member of the state committee.

Two combination plans have been proposed. They are, in effect, the same, although differently stated:

First.—That the state committee should consist of one member from each county, except that every county having more than one senate district should have as many members as it has senate districts.

This plan would create a state committee of 80 members, giving every county in the state direct representation and the larger counties representation measured by the number of their senate districts. New York county would therefore have 12 members; Kings county, 7; Monroe county, 2; Erie county, 3, and the remaining 56 counties, 1 member each.

Second.—That the state committee should consist of one member from each senate district, except that each senate district comprising more than one county should have a member from each of said counties.

This plan also creates a committee of 80 members.

The objection to these combination plans is that they do not give representation in proportion to population.

We have obtained the following information concerning the organization of the Republican state committees in other states:

Connecticut.—Six counties, 4 congressional districts. Total vote of state, 1894, 157,564; Republican vote, 84,23[illegible]. State committee consists of 24 members, one from each senate district.

Maine.—Fifteen counties, 4 congressional districts. Total vote of state, 1894, 105,271; Republican vote, 69,259. State committee consists of 15 members, one from each county.

Massachusetts.—Fourteen counties, 13 congressional districts. Total vote of state, 1894, 355,842; Republican vote, 189,307. State committee consists of 40 members, one from each senatorial district.

Michigan.—Eighty-three counties, 12 congressional districts. Total vote of state, 1894, 416,923; Republican vote, 237,215. State committee consists of 24 members, two from each congressional district.

Pennsylvania.—Sixty-seven counties, 30 congressional districts. Total vote of state, 1894, 953,017; Republican vote, 574,841. State committee consists of 150 members, two from each senatorial district, except that when two or more counties compose such district each county is entitled to one member. It also includes 12 members at large, appointed by the chairman.

Ohio.—Eighty-eight counties, 21 congressional districts. Total vote of state, 1894, 763,623; Republican vote, 413,989. State committee consists of one member from each congressional district. This committee elects an executive committee of 21 members, who are usually nominated by the candidates on the state ticket and who have charge of the campaign and choose a chairman, secretary and treasurer. This practically makes a committee of 42 members.

New York.—Sixty counties, 34 congressional districts. Total vote of state, 1894, 1,275,671; Republican vote, 673,818. State committee consists of 34 members, one from each congressional district, together with four additional members, as stated above.

The campaign committee respectfully submits these several plans of enlargement of the state committee, entirely upon their respective merits, to the consideration of the Republicans of the state, with the earnest request that they receive that careful attention and consideration their importance demands.

We trust that they will be thoroughly discussed by the Republicans of the state, and that the attention of the delegates to the state convention will be especially called to them to the end that the state convention may take such action in reference to the enlargement of the committee as in its judgment will best promote the interests and success of the party.

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To the Republicans of the State:

The tendency in all political organizations, no less in the Republican than in others, is toward the concentration of influence, authority and finally of power in the hands of a few. The natural order in the development of this tendency is the gradual narrowing of the circle of leadership, concurrently with the centralization and perfection of the machinery of organization, until in the end a small but extremely active and diligent body of men is found so firmly fixed in positions of recognized authority and unquestioned power that they are, for all practical purposes, dictators of the party's policy and arbiters of its fortune. Meantime the voting masses are voiceless in its councils and unheeded in its management. It is one of the perversities of human nature that the narrower and less in numbers this circle of leadership becomes the more arbitrary are those who compose it in the exercise of authority, the more arrogant and insolent in their treatment of the common citizen, the more faithless to principle and the more greedy of the perquisites of power. Party control confined to a few individuals creates an oligarchy. When that control is reduced still further to the will of a single person, it is simply an autocracy. Neither of these has any place in our system and form of government, and both are in deadly hostility to the spirit and purpose of the Republican party. Under the restrictions imposed by such leadership and control patriotic enthusiasm dies away in indifference, and instead of healthy growth and a widening area of influence the party falls into corruption and decay.

It is because this tendency to the centralization and concentration of power in a few hands is a constant factor in all political organizations; because in the Republican party it grows and develops only as the voting masses are indifferent to the details of party management, and because it can be checked and repressed only by the awakening of the voters from such indifference that the Republican State club of the state of New York has been organized upon a permanent foundation with the single view of enlisting the interest of the great body of the voters in everything that concerns the welfare of the party or the administration of its affairs. With the whole party so interested, with a common cause and a common meeting ground for Republicans from all parts of the state, there will be neither oligarchy nor autocracy; no deals nor dickers with the enemy for corrupt purposes of personal aggrandizement; no usurpation of the party's prestige nor prostitution of its power; enthusiasm will be rekindled, confidence revived and the Republican party of the state, united and harmonious under leadership of its own untrammeled choice, will enter upon a new career in which its devotion to the public welfare will be denoted by achievements not less important in their consequences than any of those with which the party has made glorious the annals of nearly 40 years.

To this consummation we invite your co-operation. The purposes of this club are comprehensively and definitely set forth in the articles of incorporation—to wit, "To promote permanent good government in the state of New York by maintaining and perpetuating the fundamental principles of the Republican party and to diffuse among the masses of the Republican voters of the state a proper sense of individual responsibility for the party's organized action." It has not been called into existence merely to meet a temporary emergency, or for the promotion of local advantage, or the attainment of personal ends. It aims at nothing but the diffusion of a sense of individual responsibility for the party's organized action among the voters. With that there must come such an awakening of interest and such general participation in primaries, caucuses, conventions and all preliminary proceedings as to defeat every attempt to establish or perpetuate the control of the party in the hands of a few irresponsible or self constituted leaders. Having this in view, it proposes for Republicans from all parts of the state a common meeting ground and a bond of association for the common purpose in order to promote mutual acquaintance and establish permanent facilities for the deliberations and consultations which are essential to harmonious and effective action.

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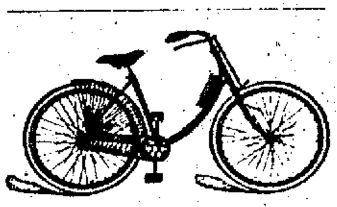

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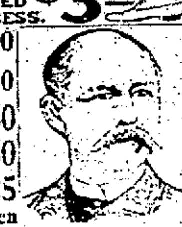

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